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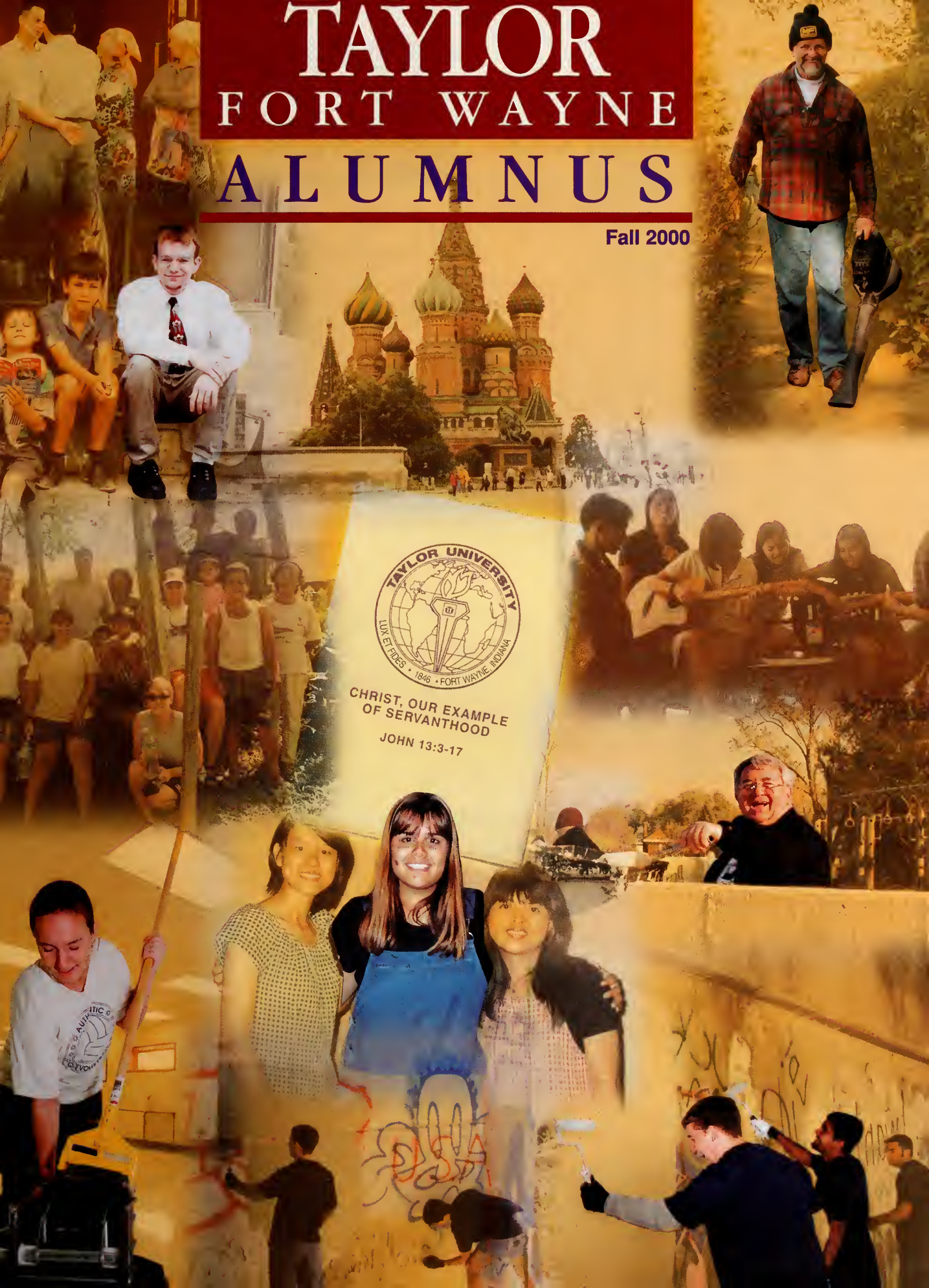

Spiritual Celebration

Nancy and I are excited about these days of new beginnings. Like us, I know you have prepared all summer for the challenges and opportunities just around the corner. However, like the children of Israel, our new year's celebrations not only are at a different time but they have a different purpose and motivation.

Modern Israel celebrated Rosh Hashanah (Hebrew the head of the year) on September 30, this year. Based on Old Testament commands, it is a day of remembrance that begins a season of awe with the sound of the shofar - Israel's ram horn trumpet. We begin our new year by remembering that the God of our past is also the God of the present and future. We declare that He has done exceedingly abundantly above all that we could ask or think (Ephesians 3:20). How grateful Nancy and I are for your faithfulness in prayer, work and service that has laid a firm foundation for God to build upon. Let us shout "Happy New Year!" with thanksgiving for all that has been accomplished in the past.

In the days that follow Rosh Hashanah, the people of Israel prepare for what God will do among and through them in the year to come. It is a time of personal, physical, spiritual and family equipping. Only God knows the full potential of this next year. All we know is that it will be different! Never before have there been so many possibilities configured in such unique ways for us to address. Like the Hebrews who would spend the days following Rosh Hashanah in tent-like booths to remember God's provision in the wilderness, several of our departments are just returning from times of retreat and preparation with a sense of expectation. Let's use these first days of the new year to tabernacle in His presence, cultivating the disciplines of body, mind and spirit needed to discover His way and do His will.

Rosh Hashanah ends with Yom Kippur - the Day of Atonement. Remembering and preparing are for a single, glorious end - redemption! The great purpose beneath all that we are about at Taylor is to show His marvelous works of mercy, love and forgiveness. May we find new opportunities and renewed passion to declare in thought, word and deed that our Redeemer lives. Sound the trumpet in Zion - let the new year begin!

Nancy and I are blessed to be partners with you in this glorious undertaking.

David J. Gyertson

Dr. David Gyertson
President, Taylor University

Dr. David and Nancy Gyertson

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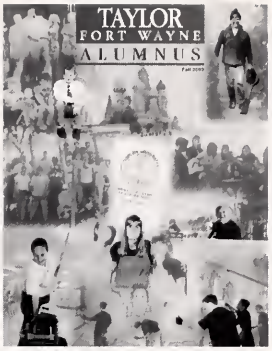

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Serving with a Different Spirit

-Dr. David Gyertson

Over the last several weeks I have been reflecting on the example of Caleb, Joshua's good report partner (see Numbers 13 and 14). I think what triggered this was unpacking an olive woodcarving I was given of two men carrying a large bundle of grapes.

You remember their story. Moses sent spies into the Promised Land to ascertain what was there. It was as God had promised – a land flowing with milk and honey. However, giants and walled cities were also present. Most of the spies focused on the challenges and the seeming impossibilities. Joshua and Caleb, however, saw the potential of God's power and promise. What caught my attention is God's description of Caleb – a man of a different spirit (Numbers 14:24). Later, in Joshua 14, we get additional insight into this man of a different spirit. Now well into his 80s, Caleb asks Joshua for the mountains, where the giants lived, as his portion. What evidence this is of his trust and confidence in the God who is able to do exceedingly abundantly.

As I work on the campuses at Fort Wayne and Upland, I am encountering 21st century Calebs. Men and women with a different spirit who are passionate about their Christ and the work to which He has called them. These Taylor Calebs are competent for their tasks, committed to the mission of Christ-centered liberal arts and possess an expectant view of God's provision for tomorrow. They have a joy in their journey. However, they are not "Pollyanna-ish" about the challenges before them. Great privileges come with great responsibilities and even greater challenges. What an honor to work among them – in the company of the competent and committed.

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Our opportunities this year require such a company. National recognition, maximum enrollments, great expectations of students, alumni, donors and parents and a host of significant possibilities demand that we be a people fully dependent upon the God who is able. Caleb had a different spirit because, as the Scripture says, he followed God fully. I am thankful for the evidence that so many of the Taylor family carry that same dedication. As this new academic year gets underway, let us together follow God fully so He can say they are a people with a different spirit. Nancy and I are making that fresh commitment. Will you join with us?

Leading a Church . . .

Leading a City

Leading starts by learning. Perhaps one of the best ways to learn is by example. **Terry McDonald, sophomore**, pastoral ministries major, has learned much about service from his parents and grandparents who taught him the importance of taking an active role in people's lives. "If someone was sick, my grandma would cook for them, if someone in the community was in financial need, my grandparents would take them eggs or fresh meat. My dad served as a volunteer firefighter; my mom served on the PTA and cub scouts." So serving in his community was not difficult for Terry. For over fourteen years, he served on the New Haven police department, serving the last six as a detective. But life hasn't always been so cut and dry for Terry.

"I can tell my kids and the youth of my city why it's important to take an active role in the community... or I can show them."

He made an initial decision to serve the Lord at age 16, but walked away from the Lord at age 18. Over the next 13 years he joined the police force, married, divorced and lived for today. "I came home from the police department one day in 1994 and felt impressed to go to church on Sunday. I couldn't shake the impression, so, I went and haven't missed more than five Sunday services in the last six years." A year later he involved himself in the men's group and teaching Sunday school, but sensed there was more God wanted him to do. Over the next year, three people, on separate occasions, suggested he consider the ministry. His feelings of inadequacy, both educationally and spiritually, couldn't limit God's call. His accountability partner, **Chuck Koenemann, TUFW junior,** provoked Terry, "You've got a call on your life...what are you going to do about it?"

Terry visited Taylor's Fort Wayne campus with Chuck. "I knew I needed strong biblical teaching. I liked Taylor's strong traditional values; there was no doubt about it; Taylor was the place for me." Nineteen years after his high school graduation, he enrolled at Taylor in 1996 as a part time student; now a sophomore, he continues to take classes on a part-time basis. His return to school began a snowball effect of changes in Terry's life. When the youth pastor at his church resigned in January, 1999, Terry's senior pastor asked him to consider co-directing the program; during which time he had begun to pursue his license as a Methodist pastor. That same spring he was assigned the pastorate at Monson Chapel United Methodist Church. He was elected mayor of New Haven, Indiana, that fall. He sees each of these roles (father, pastor, student and mayor) as opportunities to serve and to show Christian compassion. The mission of his mayoral office is to let the community know that they matter and to make the government more accessible to them. He purposes to involve the youth in the community by giving them a voice and developing a youth council, to help establish policies--putting them into action, not just talking about issues. "I meet monthly with eight youth who are a part of "Powerhouse," a local ministry. I'm encouraged by their desire to stand up for what they believe in and not be swayed by peer pressure, and for their heart to give back to the community."

Even though Terry's a licensed minister and has been assigned a pastorate, he continues his education for personal edification and because he wants his children to understand that education is important. "It took me 19 years to go back to school. It's not been easy and they see that. I want them to learn from my example."

Terry leads his family, the city of New Haven and Monson Community Church by God's strength, "I ask Him for it every day."

"How beautiful are the feet of

The following vignettes are a sampling of TUFW faculty, staff and students who share their love for the Lord by spending their time, resources and very lives to minister to the lost, whether in the neighborhoods surrounding TUFW or in short-term mission experiences.

God placed it on the hearts of sophomore, pastoral ministries major, **Ron Garner** and his wife, **Tonya**, university advancement secretary, Fort Wayne, to minister to the people of Romania where they conducted prayer walks throughout the city, hosted picnics, participated in sporting events, and shared Bible stories with the children on the street, in orphanages, and special schools. "We were able to share the story of Jesus and show them Christ's love through us," Tonya reflects.

Tonya Garner helps a Romanian child draw a cross with sidewalk chalk

Bobbie Girod, junior, elementary education major, Bluffton, IN; **Adam Stucky**, sophomore, pastoral ministry major, Indianapolis, IN; **David Stucky**, junior music major, Indianapolis, IN and **Heidi Young**, junior, youth ministry major, Newton Falls, OH, traveled to the Philippines where they ministered to the body of Christ through church construction and youth ministry.

Dr. Joseph Jones (right) with wife, Yvette, in Jerusalem

Natalie Grillo, senior, public relations major, Dingmans Ferry, PA, participated in The Laborer's Institute, a three month, intensive discipleship training program, through Kingdom Building Ministries. Natalie's team spent one month in Malaysia ministering through evangelism, teaching, church services and showing the Jesus film. The team returned to Colorado, to work with junior and senior high students. "God absolutely changed my life," Natalie says. "He showed me how great His love is for me and for all people, inside this country and out."

Natalie Grillo, far right, ministers in Malaysia

Dr. Joseph Jones, associate professor of justice education, his wife, **Yvette Jones,** director for corporate relations, Samuel Morris Scholars Program, along with **Dr. Roger Ringenberg**, associate professor of missions, and his wife, **Carol Ringenberg fs66**, participated in a three-week seminar in Jerusalem (see page 12 for more information). The Ringenbergs spent an additional two weeks traveling to Turkey, visiting **David g87** and **Dorcas McDeavitt g76**, and Jordan, visiting **Rick, Jr, g91** and **Christina Dugan g90**, where they learned more about outreach in Muslim countries.

Angels in Disguise

After World Opportunities Week, 1999, a group of Taylor Fort Wayne men decided to share about Jesus with people at Fort Wayne's Glenbrook Square Mall. By the time they left for the mall that evening, 19 male students had gathered, excited to share the love that has changed their lives.

By January, 2000, a whole new burden had been placed on the hearts of those men. They saw the need that was being neglected right under their noses, the local community. The new vision began to expand and was embraced in particular by four individuals: **Bo Holden**, junior, law and justice major, Gilette WY; **Brant Mendenhall,** sophomore, criminal justice major, Huntington, IN; **Nathan Patterson**, junior, pastoral ministry major, Berne, IN; and **Nate Zechar,** senior, youth and pastoral ministry major, Piqua, OH. And so, Angles in Disguise (AID) ministry began.

Nate Zechar, the ministry's administrative coordinator, shares the group's vision, "We want God to use us to open opportunities to share the gospel of Jesus Christ with unbelieving people. We also want to encourage the saints already in the kingdom to actively love their neighbors. By building relationships, doing acts of service and actively praying for the people in the neighborhood, we hope to edify and multiply the kingdom of God."

Bo Holden adds, "The focus of this vision was to make the statement of Taylor University, 'Christ-centered Urban-focused,' a reality both in the local community, and in the lives of the men residing in Schultz Hall through prayer for the local community and acts of community service. With these two active elements we believed that relationships would be facilitated, and eventually these relationships would lead to a foundation for a conversation about the love of Christ." He continues, "This vision has become a reality. Five nights a week the men of Schultz Hall meet together in various dorm rooms to pray for the requests that we have been given from the community."

those who bring good news!" (Romans 10:15)

Matt Jones, junior, pastoral ministries major, Fort Wayne, and **Deb Marquardt**, secretary to academic dean, traveled to Russia with Blackhawk Baptist Church's choir and praise band. The team spent over two weeks performing 12 outreach concerts to crowds ranging in size from 50 to 200. Matt was impacted by "the strength of the believer's faith despite the great oppression that remains in the country." Deb shares, "Our music was the bridge God used to reach people in towns and villages who had never seen ... or heard the Gospel message." The team saw some fruit of their efforts as decisions to follow Christ were made, while seeds were planted in the hearts of others.

Matt Jones, far right, with Russian children

JoAnne Powell, associate professor of social work, spent four weeks at the Russian American Christian University in Moscow this summer, teaching gerontology. Despite the lack of textbooks, the students' enthusiasm and desire for learning could not be dampened. JoAnne reflects on a specific conversation with a female Russian student, "It was nonstop questions...I was so impressed by her bright, quick mind and her desire to learn. I felt drained by the time we were done." JoAnne says her purpose in teaching there was "to interact with the people and to impact their lives, even if only for a short time."

In Memoriam

Mylissa Sue Livingston, Menona, WI, was a sophomore, studying art/secondary education at Taylor Fort Wayne.

Mylissa met her Lord, July 6, 2000, while serving at Upper Peninsula Bible Camp, Little Lake, MI. The morning of July 6, she and two other camp counselors were traveling to prepare a retreat site for campers when the car they were traveling in was struck by a logging truck. She and one of the passengers were killed instantly, the third passenger survives, with critical injuries.

Taylor Fort Wayne friends share these memories:

She always had a smile on her face.
She was everyone's friend.
She had a catchy personality.

To her peers, Mylissa was most known for her

. . . committed and passionate relationship with Christ.

Summer Clubhouse

A Foellinger grant provided 51 children the opportunity to participate in a summer clubhouse enrichment program offered at St. Patrick's Catholic Church and sponsored by TUFW and the church. The grant was designed specifically to meet the needs of children in grades K-5, in an inner-city parochial school setting. Sonja Strahm, director of the learning support center, and Father Glenn Kohrman, St. Patrick's Catholic Church, partnered together to provide the enrichment program. The theme, "People," encouraged children to respect people who are unlike themselves by stressing human dignity.

During the program, students were taught math, reading and writing, relationship skills, table manners and conflict resolution. They also participated in physical education, art and music enrichment activities and enjoyed field trips. On the evening of July 12, the students performed a musical program for family and neighbors.

"This was fun, fun, fun. I learned all about manners, respecting others and how to count money," responded one first grade student. One parent shared. "It's not always that you can leave your child in the care of someone else and feel as good as we have felt this summer." TUFW students who assisted with the program included **Veronica Copenhaver 2000 graduate**, and **Shawna Allen, Amy Gearheart** and **Paul Kellogg, juniors**.

Marcia Carpenter assists children in understanding physical restrictions

Family Weekend

A Picture of Progress

The start of each academic year is full of excitement and this year has been no exception, as Taylor Fort Wayne is a picture of progress.

Students hosted their parents and alumni returned to their alma mater to participate in Family Weekend, 2000.

The silent auction kicked off the day's events with 89 families bidding on 166 donated items, raising over $5,900 dollars for the Student Emergency Assistance Fund. (All money raised through the silent auction goes to meet the needs of students who find themselves in emergency situations without the financial means to meet those needs, such as transportation costs to travel to a funeral of a family member, or assist a non-traditional student with unexpected expenses caused by illness.)

Guests had opportunity to visit campus facilities including dorms, bookstore and tour the nearly completed Eicher Student Commons. Alumni reunited with classmates at reunions over lunch. Parents, students and alums met with Dr. David Gyertson, president, and Dr. Daryl Yost, COO of the Fort Wayne campus.

The evening concluded with a port-a-pit chicken dinner followed by "Tune-In," a musical comedy game show with audience participation, and a student talent show.

Dr. Jay Kesler, chancellor, wrapped up the weekend as he spoke on families at the Sunday morning worship service.

Picnic Lunch

Faculty, staff, students and alumni enjoyed a picnic lunch, student music entertainment and reunions (classes 1985, 1989-93, 1995). **Dr. Wes Gerig g51** and **Cyril Eicher g32** enjoy the picnic; **Erica Williams, sophomore,** performs a song by *Jennifer Knapp* during the lunch.

Silent Auction

Items donated for bid at the silent auction ranged from certificates for pizza, a limousine ride, stained glass lamps, a Detroit Lions grill (above left), stereo speakers and $1000 student scholarship. Shown right: Taylor parents make their bids.

Evening Activities

The evening began with a Port-A-Pit chicken dinner, enjoyed by students and parents alike (see photo of **Brant Mendenhall** and his mom, bottom right). The "Tune In" family game show provided students and parents alike an opportunity to participate in and win prizes in the Jeopardy-like music/tv game show (see bottom left photo of game show host and contestant/winner, sophomore, **Bethany Sprinkle**). The evening wrapped up with a display of talent by Taylor students. (Top left: **Nicole Baksha and James Rediger**, emcee the talent show; top right, **Justin Nicolet**, talent show first place contestant.)

Meet the President

Dr. David Gyertson, president (pictured above), and Dr. Daryl Yost, COO of the Fort Wayne campus, met with and answered parents' and alumni questions.

Campus Tours

Dr. Daryl Yost and Dr. Randall Dodge took five groups of interested campus guests through the nearly completed Eicher Student Commons.

The theme of this issue of Taylor Fort Wayne Alumnus is worship, based on Romans 12:1 which defines worship as sacrificial living: "Therefore, I urge you, brothers, in view of God's mercy, to offer your bodies as living sacrifices, holy and pleasing to God- this is your spiritual act of worship."

The students featured on these next four pages are seniors who minister on the chapel worship team and who seek to serve the Lord with their whole lives, sacrificially.

TONDRA CALL "I serve on the worship team because I love the Lord, am excited about Him and love to praise Him." Tondra's love for her Father radiates from her very being. Although a non-traditional student, Tondra still takes time to be an active part of campus life as a worship team member and as Non-traditional Student Advocate, while balancing school work, motherhood and leading a single parent's ministry at Fellowship Missionary Church. In May, she will graduate with a degree in accounting and systems. She hopes to be a church planter.

New Voicemail System on Both Campuses

Want to leave a message for a professor or student on either Taylor campus? The process just became easier thanks to a new voicemail system installed over the summer. Previously, voicemail was only available on the Fort Wayne campus.

The new system links a voice mail box to every Taylor employee and student phone number. The service is offered to students free of charge. All users must undergo training before being given access to their mailboxes.

"Incoming calls will still be answered by a person whenever possible," says Donna Downs, associate vice president of university relations, Taylor, Upland. "Maintaining individual, personal contact with our callers is still a top priority."

Enrollment Climbs to 502

Taylor University Fort Wayne announces its largest total enrollment, enrolling 502 students this semester, up from 451 students (an 11% growth), just one year ago. This year's freshman class also broke enrollment records, enrolling 132 first-time freshmen. Additionally, student satisfaction is on the incline, as evidenced by TUFW's highest recorded retention rate.

The University has seen continued enrollment increase yearly. From the 1998-1999 academic year to the current academic year (2000-2001), enrollment has grown 12%.

Not only has the student population seen its greatest increase in student enrollment in eight years, new majors and programs of study, and the near-completion of the Eicher Student Commons building (projected completion date, December 2000) have also contributed to campus growth.

Name Change

One Taylor department began the academic year with a new name. As of August 9, the office of development is now known as the office of university advancement. The new title more accurately reflects the department's responsibilities of alumni relations, university relations, the William Taylor Foundation and development.

"Advancement is an umbrella term that groups our different areas of work on both campuses," says Gene Rupp, now the vice president for university advancement. "The division that handles the Annual Fund, the Taylor Fund, donor services and the capital campaign will continue to be known as development, but the department as a whole will use the other term."

Help Us Recruit

You can help TUFW recruit students!

If you know individuals whom we should contact (children, nieces, nephews, grandchildren or neighbors, from your church, local high schools, your community, etc.), complete the form below and mail it to: Admissions Office, TUFW, 1025 West Rudisill Blvd, Fort Wayne IN 46807 or E-mail: admissions_f@tayloru.edu

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High School _____

Graduation Year _____

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Dr. Yost's New Role Oversees Building Program

Construction of the Eicher Student Commons is nearing completion. A November 15 occupation date is anticipated, although some parts of the facility will not be available until early in the second semester. The construction has been supervised by Dr. Daryl Yost, whose new role as senior vice president for the University gives him the responsibility of supervising university-wide construction projects.

"With new presidential leadership comes new structures in leadership," says Yost. "We do not know fully what that means, but I do know my job is somewhat different."

At Dr. Kesler's invitation, Yost participated as a member of the office of the president, served as provost for the University, and oversaw the Fort Wayne campus. This arrangement, somewhat unusual in university leadership, allowed Kesler to concentrate on capital campaign concerns and pursue his speaking and writing obligations. The Board encouraged Dr. Gyertson to "rethink" the presidential office to fit the leadership structure most comfortable for him. "The Trustees fully support whatever structural adjustments Dr. Gyertson would like to make," says board chair, Paul Robbins.

Yost's new title and his continuing responsibilities make use of his unique abilities. "He excels in administrative detail and has a great love for the students at Fort Wayne," says Gyertson. "I personally believe that his presence and priority there is part of God's plan to help Fort Wayne achieve its highest potential within the Taylor vision."

Taylor Fort Wayne Parents' Association

Because your son/daughter is enrolled at Taylor Fort Wayne, you are automatically part of the TUFW Parents' Association. The Association, governed by a Parents' Cabinet, was formed in 1993. Its purpose is to foster and cultivate the spirit of a continuing Christian community of parents of Taylor University, to influence, support and act through effective communication among members and with the University; and to have a strong voice in support of the continued spiritual welfare of TUFW.

The TUFW Parents' Association and Cabinet serve three primary functions: assist in communication between parents/students, sponsorship of the Student Emergency Assistance Fund, and plan and coordinate the annual Family Weekend celebration in the fall. There are currently 15 parents who serve on the Parents' Cabinet.

Care Packages

Taylor Fort Wayne now offers a variety of ways to say, "We're thinking about you and we love you!" Each care package is delivered to a student's dorm room in a decorative bag or box, with a note containing a personal message. Orders should be placed at least 48 hours in advance, but the University will make every effort to accommodate last minute needs.

There are three options to choose from :

"Just Because" Cookies $12 Three dozen gourmet cookies.

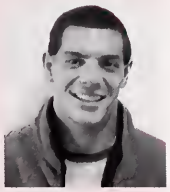
Happy Birthday to You $12 A freshly baked 10" giant cookie, personalized just for him/her (*see photo at bottom right*).

Study Hardy Party $17 A 16" pizza, a 6-pack of 24 oz. soda and a bag of pretzels for their party *(see photo at top right).*

Make your check payable for the amount of your order and mail it to us. Phone orders, mail and e-mail orders are accepted, with payment made by check or credit card. Contact Tonya at 219-744-8665 or view our website at www.tayloru.edu/fw/parents/care to place an order or to learn more about this opportunity.

Note: $1 of each care package purchased is donated to the Student Emergency Assistance Fund.

ADAM DOIRON



"It has been great to be involved in leading others into God's presence," Adam shares. "Leading worship was a new experience for me and took me out of my comfort zone—which I needed." Adam has also served as a resident assistant, participated on several campus-sponsored mission trips and is a volunteer at Wood Youth Center. "Many kids at the Center have heard the message of the Gospel before but don't understand it; I have had the opportunity to explain Christianity to them." After college, he hopes to travel and work on the mission field.

NATALIE GRILLO

Natalie's heart for worship is evidenced by her two years experience on the chapel worship team as well as her ministry on the worship teams at her local and home churches. She shares, "I have a real burden to see the Taylor student body experience the fullness of God. He loves each of us personally and passionately and longs for us to have an intimate relationship with Him. Music is one of the vehicles we, as Christians, can use to have that intimate relationship with Him." Natalie expects to combine her public relations degree and her music ministries minor in serving the Lord.

MEGAN HASBROUCK This is Megan's first year on the chapel worship team; yet, for her, it's simply the next step in her "never-ending quest to find out what worship really is."

Aside from her time on the chapel worship team, she has also worked for three years at a camp in upstate New York for inner-city kids, serving as director of worship this past summer. She will graduate with a music major with a concentration in Christian ministry in May.

JUSTIN NICOLET

A gifted musician and music lover, Justin has chosen to give his talents to the Lord by serving Him on the chapel worship team. He also ministers through music at his church, and as youth pastor at Decatur Missionary Church.

While on the chapel worship team, he's been blessed by noticing the growing desire of students on campus to worship the Lord.

Justin models his life after a quote by John Mays, president of Benson Records, "The ultimate goal we can achieve through our music is to wash the feet of those who listen."

Administration

Dr. Marilyn Button, director of Hoosier College Preparatory Program, presented "From Character to Caricature: Dickens, Fiction and Film" at the Popular Culture Association Annual Conference. Marilyn also represented the HCPP in Atlanta, at the "God and the Academy Conference," sponsored by Christian Leadership Ministries and Ravi Zacharias ministries.

Sherri Harter, associate vice president for university advancement, graduated with an MA degree from Indiana Wesleyan University in August. At the graduation Harter also received an Outstanding Professional Award-- an award voted upon by peers.

Faculty

Paul Beach, assistant professor of computing and system sciences, joins the faculty of TUFW to help launch the computer science major on campus.

Drs. Thomas Beckner and Joseph Jones, associate professors of justice education, and **Twyla Lee**, associate professor of social work, served on an economic development committee, studying the feasibility of a new economic venture in the south east quadrant of Fort Wayne.

Dr. Dennis Hensley, associate professor of English, authored two new books, Teach Yourself Grammar and Style in 24 Hours and How to Write What You Love. Both were released this summer.

Dr. Ken Johnson, associate professor of music, joins the faculty of TUFW in the music program.

Dr. Joseph Jones, associate professor of justice education, **Yvette Jones**, director for corporate relations, Samuel Morris Scholars Program, and **Dr. Roger Ringenberg**, associate professor of missions, attended a seminar at Jerusalem University College this summer where they studied the geographical and historical settings of the Bible.

Dr. Hadley Mitchell, associate professor of economics, lectured students at the University of Nizhni Novgorad, Russia, this past spring. Over the summer he participated in a study-tour of South Africa (funded in part by a Fullbright-Hayes grant) conducted by the World Affairs Council of Greater Cincinnati.

Dr. Larry Rottmeyer, professor of business, joins the TUFW faculty to direct the business program on campus.

Rebecca Webb, assistant professor of communication arts, joined the faculty this fall.

Staff

Jason Craner left his news director and morning anchor posts at WLGH, Lansing, MI, to direct the news at WBCL.

Trina DeFrantz was appointed admissions counselor. Prior to her hire at TUFW, she served three years at the Fort Wayne Urban League, while also serving as associate faculty at IPFW. She received her M.S. from Misericordia and her B.A. from Penn State.

Kathie Haywood, Hausser Hall director/director of new student orientation, received her master of arts degree in counseling and student development from Eastern College, July 2000, and began her new roles at Taylor Fort Wayne, August 1.

Mandy Leach, host of "P.M. Praise," WBCL Radio, replaces **Ross McCampbell** who now hosts the new program, "Mid-Day Live!" Mandy is a graduate of Pensacola Christian College and has a degree in communication with a concentration in broadcasting.

Kevin Mahaffy, enrollment manager, College of Adult & Lifelong Learning, joined the staff in July.

Michael Mortensen, director of alumni relations & annual giving, was reassigned to this position from his former post as associate director of development.

Rhonda Price replaces Chevetta Gilmore as WBCL news reporter. Rhonda leaves a position in the corporate insurance world. She formerly served in the news departments of WOWO Radio and WANE-TV 15, Fort Wayne, IN.

Kayleen Reusser, circulation supervisor, Lehman Memorial Library, recently published two devotionals in *God's Abundance for Women* and *More God's Abundance* and published 10 devotions in the Augsburg Fortress *Christ in Our Home* devotion book.

Jim Stanley, news director, WBCL Radio, leaves the station after 12 years of service to pursue new areas of ministry and business opportunities.

Troy Tiberi, Schultz Hall director/director of student activities and 2000 Taylor Upland graduate, joined the TUFW staff this summer.

Mindy Troester, admissions counselor, graduated this summer from Anderson

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Uniquely Taylor

2000 HOOSIER MILLENNIUM
Communities Building Community

At the request of Indiana's First Lady Judy O'Bannon, Taylor is participating in Hoosier Millennium, a statewide project that encourages Indiana residents to honor the past and plan for the future.

This is the fourth and final Taylor 2000 special publication. In the previous issues, we examined Taylor's history of academic excellence, commitment to leadership, and firm foundation of faith. This issue takes a look at those aspects that make a Taylor education completely different from studying anywhere else. These aspects of the Taylor experience were, are, and will be the benchmark against which a Taylor education is measured.

Class competition fuels the annual Taylathon bike race.

Four years at a Christian college almost always shape a person intellectually and spiritually; at Taylor, students develop a playful spirit too. From Jay Kesler's half-joking admonition that you may be sitting in chapel next to your future spouse, to long standing traditions like Taylathon and kidnapping the Trojan horse, life at Taylor is almost as much about fun as developing faith and academic ability. And while many Taylor traditions are fun-loving and free-spirited, many others are intentional acts that formally commission students to fulfill their role as an alumnus.

This collected body of Taylor traditions, idiosyncracies, oddities and memories makes the University unique among its peers. This issue of the *Taylor 2000* is a tribute to all that makes Taylor home.

Earlier in the twentieth century, students gathered for the annual tug of war across the Mississinewa River.

Candles brighten the Rediger Chapel/ Auditorium during a Christmas Chapel.

Significant Symbols

These simple objects serve as visual cues of Taylor traditions, committed leadership and decades of laughter.

Mace: First used by Bishop William Taylor, this hand-carved walking stick is a symbol of Taylor's leadership. Carried by the president or a select-student, it leads the processional at graduation and other formal occasions.

Taylor Towel: Received at graduation, the towel serves as a symbol of the responsibility alumni have to complete Taylor's mission of ministering Christ's redemptive love.

Making a Mark:
TUFW's unusual commitment to community

Taylor Fort Wayne provides higher education to students just like many other institutions in the metropolitan area. What makes an education a uniquely Taylor one is her students.

Academic opportunities exist for students starting with high school juniors and seniors through the traditional college-age student to the professional and retiree. No matter what their age, students' commitment to growth in education is not limited to the classroom, but continues in leadership, whether in the sports arena or professional organization, and in Christian service, to the community and abroad.

TUFW students contribute 20,000 to 30,000 hours of community service annually. Taylor's primarily residential location on the city's historic south side is ideal for building relationships between neighbors and students, faculty and staff.

Through campus-neighbor newsletters to community service days to random acts of kindness, the student body expresses the love of Christ in hands-on, practical ways. One neighbor reflects, "What would Jesus do?" she answers her own question with an example of the students' faith in action, "Scrape thy neighbor's peeling paint...."

Taylor's tradition of service also extends to the greater Fort Wayne community and across the globe as students minister in nursing homes, tutoring/mentoring programs, detention centers or abroad in service projects or evangelism opportunities. *–Lisa (Paul '92) Allen*

A Place to Call Home:
Living it up in the residence halls

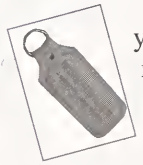
Female students from the mid-1900s called MCW home.

Mention MCW to anyone who graduated from Taylor between the years of 1923 and 1975, and they are likely to get a little misty-eyed. The beloved Magee-Campbell-Wisconsin women's residence served as the site of the dining commons and infirmary, as well as the social center of campus.

Affection for the college home is not uncommon. Unlike many college campuses, Taylor halls take on their own personality, with each wing emerging as a distinct part of the whole. "We don't have fraternities or sororities," says Walt Campbell '64, dean of students. "But our halls act as that, to some extent."

The halls are also the center of Taylor community life, Campbell says. With no separate halls for upper classmen or freshmen, older students guide newer students through the first weeks of college and also introduce them to each hall's traditions. The interaction between students, as well as the well-kept facilities, well-educated resident directors and well-trained personnel assistants and discipleship coordinators help create the tight-knit Taylor community found in most halls.

Taylor Tokens:
Gifts induct students as alumni



Freshman Keying: First year students receive key rings, a gift that represents the open door to their new life as a college student.

Sophomore Mugging: Friendship and fellowship are symbolized by the gift of a Taylor mug, given after students earn 24 credit hours and officially become alumni.

Junior Bagging: As professional opportunities present themselves, junior students can use their class gift, a garment bag, that represents taking Taylor with them wherever they travel.

Senior Scoop: With one week to go before graduation, seniors may attend a celebration in their honor where they eat ice cream, learn about the alumni office, and interact with senior administrators.

Bell Tower: The twin spires of the Rice Bell Tower represent the University's academic and spiritual emphases. Hymns, anthems and the Taylor song, as recorded by Frederick Shulze, play from the tower's Gentile Carillon each hour.

Logos: TUFW's Witmer Hall is engraved with this symbol and a quote from Daniel Webster, both reminders of those things that are eternal.

Medallion: This gold pendant is passed from president to president.

ANCHORED IN THE PAST... FOCUSED ON THE FUTURE

Taylor Tomorrow UPDATE

$60,045,000

Just four years into the campaign, commitments and gifts to the *Taylor Tomorrow Campaign* have reached a significant milestone on the way to the goal of $75 million. "That $60 million total represents the sacrificial giving of many individuals. We have much to be thankful for," says Jerry Cramer, campaign director. "And while we're proud of this milestone, we know identifying the remaining needed funds will require a total reliance on God's provision."

Sources of Gifts

- Over $15 million has been committed by foundations, both public and private.
- Nearly $12 million has been committed through deferred means, including unitrusts, annuities and bequests.
- Scholarship and annual fund giving included in the campaign are at record highs.
- While large donations have made significant contributions toward the current $60 million total, the majority of campaign gifts come from alumni and friends of the University.

Major Projects Remaining

- Occupancy of the Eicher Student Commons at TUFW is planned for late fall.
- TUU's Modelle Metcalf Visual Arts Center is substantially funded, but remaining monies are needed before construction can begin.
- Grants and donations are contributing substantially to the TUFW Lehman Library renovation plans, but additional funding must be identified in order to provide up-to-date resources.
- At TUU, the need for the Kesler Student Activities Center grows more apparent each semester as administrators await additional funding.

PROGRESS OF THE CAMPAIGN

CASH RECEIPTED:	PLEDGES OUTSTANDING:	DEFERRED GIFTS:	GRAND TOTAL (as of 08/31/00)
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Progress

Capital Improvements

With $15 million to go, a quick look back shows that significant campus improvements have already been made.

The new Samuel Morris Residence Hall, TUU.

The Eicher Student Commons, TUFW, under development.

The proposed Modelle Metcalf Visual Arts Center, TUU.

SAMUEL MORRIS RESIDENCE HALL: Construction of a new building to replace the old Morris Residence Hall was completed three years ago and students now occupy the hall.

ENDOWED CHAIRS: Dr. Rachel Smith has served as the endowed chair for art history on the Upland campus for two years; a new endowed chair for computing science has recently been added for the Upland campus.

THE EICHER STUDENT COMMONS: The TUFW student center is nearing the end of its construction; a late fall move-in date is anticipated.

LEHMAN LIBRARY: Substantial funding has been given to benefit renovations of the TUFW library. Additional funding is still needed.

METCALF VISUAL ARTS CENTER: Major commitments and gifts for the Upland arts center addition have been received. Additional funding is still needed.

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Building on the Firm Foundation

Taylor University Annual Report
1999-2000

Building on the Foundation

We long have held Taylor in high esteem for its contribution to our Lord's work. In these early days of our transition, we are discovering the reasons for such an effective ministry. Here there are people dedicated to quality, Christ-centered, higher education for the equipping of the next generation of leaders. Here there are workers who laid the building blocks of scholarship, leadership and Christian commitment firmly in place. All about us is the handiwork of 15 decades of servant-leaders who built on that foundation with the precious stones of faith, integrity and sacrifice.

Gyertson's first chapel address as president established him as a godly leader and a soon-to-be student favorite.

What a history! As Nancy and I read about God's provision in Upland and Fort Wayne, we are thrilled to participate in this divine design. The essentials of Taylor's heritage persist. With God's help, they shall remain unchanged. The centrality of Christ, the authority of Scripture, the preparation of disciples with both tough minds and tender hearts, passion for a needy world and the courage to trust God for tomorrow permeate every era. What a firm foundation is laid here in Christ. We owe much to those whom God used. Dedicated leaders like the Keslers, Redigers, Ramseyers and Reades are joined by hundreds of faculty, thousands of alumni and innumerable friends who sacrificed, prayed and surrendered to His purposes in this place. While reflecting on their contributions, I was moved by a paragraph in Jared F. Gerig's history of Fort Wayne Bible College titled "A Vine of God's Own Planting." As Nancy and I take up the sacred responsibilities of continuing in the commitment of Gerig and others, his words provide focus to our thoughts and prayers:

There is something solemn about the passing of a generation, strong of faith and vision, wise of truth and understanding, loyal of con-

BY DR. DAVID GYERTSON, PRESIDENT

viction and stability and brave of adventure and courage. Their burdens have fallen on the shoulders of other generations; the truths they believed and upheld have become conviction in the hearts of those who have followed; the vision and insight which motivated them have propelled others in the work. The challenge still stands to those in the future to become faithful followers of the pioneers who have gone before.

As you read this annual report of another year of God's amazing grace, know that Nancy and I count it a great privilege to join with you in Christ's work here at Taylor University. We are honored to build on so firm a foundation.

David J. Gyertson

LOOKING BETWEEN THE PLYWOOD

BY DR. JAY KESLER, CHANCELLOR

During our years in Chicago I became fascinated by the huge construction projects undertaken in the great city. I especially enjoyed looking through cracks in the plywood safety barriers put up during construction. It was to me a modern version of an archeological dig in an ancient civilization. Wires, pipes, footings, repairs, streets, even forgotten store fronts were exposed by the digging, tunneling and preparing of the new foundations and architectural dreams. Chicago was the home of the skyscraper due to the limestone substrata of northern Illinois. The reason for my fascination has always been an appreciation of the earlier builders who with horses and slip scrapers, clay tile, quarry stone, coal furnaces and gas lighting brought progress to the prairie. The Sears Tower sits on the efforts and lessons of the past. Most progress owes a debt to dreamers and progressions of past eras. Beneath it all, however, is the necessary foundational substrata. The bedrock determines the ultimate height of the dream.

The rock on which the builders build is in our case the confidence that indeed Jesus Christ is a rock that will stand the tests of modernity. Our children are taught to sing, "the wise man built his house upon the rock" with the prayer and hope that they will remember the most foundational of all lessons, "to love God and keep His commandments. . ."

The Taylor Board of Trustees looked for the central characteristics of leadership in Taylor's new president: competence, courage and character. However, beneath it all they were concerned to find a leader with faith, not in himself alone but in the person of Jesus Christ. We have such a leader in David Gyertson. Janie and I are confident that with Nancy at his side and with determination to build upon the bedrock trusted by our founders, the new president will meet the challenges foreseen and unforeseen of this new century.

I will enjoy looking between the plywood with awe and appreciation.

Enrollment

	1999-00	FTE	1998-99	FTE
Fort Wayne Campus	428	354	410	333
Upland Campus	1,891	1,905	1,876	1,895
Total	2,319	2,259	2,286	2,228

FTE - full time equivalency

Students in Ministry

• Three TUFW students and a faculty member took 13 computers to Jamaica, where they helped a local school implement new technologies.
• Fifteen TUFW students joined a faculty member and two companions on a January-term trip to Mexico.
• Four spring break trips saw 42 TUFW students minister in New York, Haiti and Jamaica.
• Over 170 students participated in Taylor Fort Wayne's Community Service Day in November. Freshmen and their mentors also served the local community during a Welcome Weekend outreach to the neighborhood around the campus.
• Thirty students were involved in a back-to-school carnival hosted by Project Incentive.
• Englewood Health Care Center was the site of a visit from 18 TUFW student leaders.
• Jeremy Kingsley of Kingdom Building Ministries spoke to students at TUFW's WOW in November of 1999.
• Over $17,000 was collected in two chapel offerings on the Upland campus. The donations were given to missions that work in the Sudan.
• Twenty-four TUU students participated in January-term Lighthouse trips to Arizona and Mexico.
• Taylor World Outreach sent 47 short-term missionaries to Abaco, Bahamas, Honduras, New Orleans and New York during spring break.
• Ten students and one faculty member from Upland visited Chicago for an Urban Exposure Weekend.
• Almost $3,000 was raised for a ministry in the Philippines through the spring skip-a-meal project.
• Three hundred children attended Community Outreach's annual Kid's Carnival at the Odle Gymnasium; a Harvest Carnival was held in the Gerig Activities Center.
• Various residence hall wings participated in ministries including outreach to Mississinewa High School and teenage mothers, and organizing a series on spiritual disciplines.
• Nearly 140 students volunteered with Habitat for Humanity throughout the year.
• Over 400 students attended Youth Conference on the Upland campus.
• Monthly prayer meetings for racial reconciliation continued.

Student Affairs and Academics

Advancing Education

• The Templeton Foundation awarded a $200,000 grant to support the continuation of the Faithful Change research project which assesses faith development among Upland students and students from seven other CCCU institutions over a four year period.

• Indiana Campus Compact awarded Taylor a $5,000 grant to support the development of a plan that would incorporate service learning courses across the curriculum.

• Implementation of the student component of the university information system continued. The new program will allow students access to their transcripts on-line; faculty may submit final grades on-line as well. On-line registration, account status, and housing information may soon be available.

Developing Diversity

The University is making an intentional and consistent effort to increase economic, cultural and ethnic diversity on both campuses. Taylor sponsors several events that help create an environment that fosters expression of diversity.

In Fort Wayne, the Multicultural Activity Committee worked with the Student Activity Committee to offer three events. Fundraisers were held to underwrite the cost of students attending the National Multicultural Student Leadership Conference this fall. The Taylor Student Organization added a non-traditional student advocate to their leadership committee this year to better meet the needs of older students attending TUFW.

Rosemary Farmer, Upland's new director of American-ethnic student programs, led 50 employees in diversity education workshops. Student development faculty and students attended the Multiracial Ministry Conference in Indianapolis. The first "Taste of the World" meal was sponsored by International Student Programs, Ethnic Student Programs and the Multicultural Council.

Student Statistics

• At the May 2000 commencement exercises 418 graduates were awarded degrees on the Upland campus and 46 on the FW campus.

• A chapter of Alpha Chi Omega, a scholastic honor society that recognizes students with the highest academic achievement on the Upland campus, was established on the Fort Wayne campus and inducted eight members this year.

• During the 1999-2000 academic year, 128 Taylor students participated in off-campus and international studies programs.

• A record number of students, 1897, were enrolled on the Upland campus for the fall 1999 term.

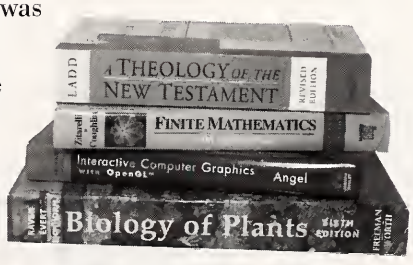
Professional Development

• Dr. Richard Parker, professor of music, received the 2000 Outstanding Indiana Music Educator Award from the Indiana Association of Music Teachers.

• Dr. Richard Squiers, professor of earth and environmental science, will serve as president of the Indiana Academy of Science during 2000-2001.

• Dr. Alexis Armstrong was selected to serve as the executive director of the Indiana Association of Teacher Educators.

• Dr. Faye Checho-



wich, associate profes-

sor of Christian education on the Upland campus, was awarded her doctorate from Indiana University this year and also received the Distinguished Professor of the Year award.

• Richard Baxter, director of student ministries and career development on the Fort Wayne campus, received the 1999-2000 Students' Choice Award.

• Last fall, 49 faculty voluntarily enrolled in a faith/learning course offered by Dr. Richard Chewning. Chewning is the former Chavanne Professor of Christian Ethics in Business at Baylor University. A generous $20,000 Faith Learning Grant from the Christian College Consortium helped make the course possible.

CURRICULUM

• The office of academic affairs approved plans to initiate an Irish Studies semester in Spring 2001 that will offer Taylor students from both campuses the opportunity to study Irish literature and history while experiencing firsthand the Irish culture and people. The TU Irish program will be located in a YWCA conference center in Greystones, just 20 miles south of Dublin.

• Several new programs on the Fort Wayne campus were approved and will be offered beginning with the fall 2000 semester, including programs in computer science, music, professional writing and intercultural studies. A Spanish minor was added.

• Several new programs on the Upland campus were approved and will be offered beginning with the fall 2000 semester, including programs in geography, environmental geology, environmental engineering, physics engineering and literature.

• Changes in curriculum and student needs led to the suspension of several programs on both campuses.

• A faculty committee was established to review the current general education program. The committee is assessing the possibility of repackaging and consolidating the general education program, giving consideration to a math requirement and a service learning component, and discussing revisions in the senior seminar and Foundations of Christian Thought courses. Implementation of any changes in the general education program would not occur before the fall 2001 semester.

FINANCIAL AID

	1999-00		1998-99		1997-98		1996-97	
	AWARDS	AMOUNT	AWARDS	AMOUNT	AWARDS	AMOUNT	AWARDS	AMOUNT
Federal Aid	3,270	$9,121,803	3,356	$8,707,610	3,210	$8,033,641	3,188	$7,926,427
State Aid	416	1,534,062	424	1,568,158	455	1,199,524	387	1,069,086
Taylor University Aid	3,371	8,449,224	3,267	8,008,030	1,910	7,182,973	1,880	6,541,153
Other Sources	388	841,602	387	738,678	418	753,700	344	585,715
Total Aid Awarded		$19,946,691		$19,022,476		$17,169,838		$16,122,381

Scholarships

Alumni, parents, friends and organizations continue to add to the growing number of scholarships. With an additional 19 written for this past fiscal year, the total between the two campuses is now 305.

Awarded for 1999-2000	Fort Wayne	Upland
Endowed Scholarships	$176,627	$436,935
Annual Scholarships	34,425	369,336
Church Gifts	44,283	124,746
Alumni Dependent Scholarships	21,000	40,100
Samuel Morris Scholars Program	318,030	3,350
Totals	$594,365	$974,467

Tuition covers approximately 84% of educational costs while the remaining 16% comes from gifts and other sources of income. Therefore, students never pay the full cost of their educations, even if they pay the full tuition charge.

Athletics

Fort Wayne

• The men's basketball team completed its season with a record of 17-11. Bud Hamilton was selected the Midwest Region Coach of the Year.

• The women's basketball team completed its season with a record of 4-19.

• Men's Soccer: Mike Collins was selected 1st Team All-Region of the NCCAA I Region 3. He was also the NCCAA leading scorer and was selected to the NCCAA I 1st Team All America. The team record was 6-8.

Upland

• The men's basketball team finished the season with a 19-14 record overall and a 6-8 mark in the Mid-Central Conference, earning fifth place recognition in the regular season.

• The women's basketball team reached the MCC finals once again after closing out the season with a 20-15 record and a 10-4 MCC ledger.

• The men and women's track and field teams continue their dominance. The men's team finished third at the NAIA National Indoor Meet, then went on to an undefeated outdoor season by winning the Emory Invitational, Mid-Central Conference Meet, and the Indiana Intercollegiate Meet. The season was capped off with a second place finish at the NAIA National Outdoor Meet. The women's track team finished third at the MCC Meet, sixth at the Indiana Intercollegiate Championship and seventh at the Emory Invitational.

• The men's football team had a remarkable season, ending with a 10-2 record and the first-ever NAIA playoff win. Four players were named All-Americans.

• The men's tennis team won the Mid-Central Conference title then took the Region 8 Championship to earn a spot in the NAIA National Tournament.

• The baseball team battled its way to the MCC Tournament and finished in 3rd place. Their cumulative record for the year was 20-23, with a MCC record of 14-13.

• The women's softball team overcame some injuries this season to earn a 13-21 overall record and a 7-7 slate in the conference.

• The youthful men's golf team played very well. The Trojans recorded a second place finish at the Mid-Central Conference Tournament. They moved on to play in the regional tournament where they finished fifth.

THE WBCL INTERNET SITE RECEIVES 1,100 VISITS PER DAY.

The WBCL Radio Network is organized under Taylor University Broadcasting, Inc., as a wholly owned subsidiary of Taylor University. Nearly 100,000 people listen via WBCL (90.3 Fort Wayne), WBCY (89.5 in Northwest Ohio), WBCJ (88.1 in West Central Ohio) and a transistor at 106.1 in Muncie, Ind.

This year The WBCL Radio Network focused its attention on HeartSounds, the name given to the network's expansion and remodeling project. Financially, the project was a tremendous success. Nearly 97 percent of the $721,000 pledged, or $696,000, has been received.

An open house is planned this fall to allow listeners the opportunity to see the 1,000 additional square feet of studio and office space which their generous donations provided. Much of the original studio space also was renovated.

The WBCL staff continued involvement in the local community through station remotes and co-sponsored events. Ohio events this year included the Children's Summer on the Farm at Sauder Village in Archbold; the Celina Lake Festival Grand Parade; the Lima Square Fair; Noyss '99; Tony Campolo's appearance in Archbold; and the Deb Gardner Survive Event in Defiance. In Indiana, listeners were greeted at the Grabill Fair; the Three Rivers Sunday School Convention; Ken Canfield's Effective Fathering Seminar; the Fantasy of Lights; the Parent Talk Seminar with Chick Moorman; and the Life on the Edge Tour.

The Likewise Outreach Ministry continues to give the WBCL staff great fulfillment as they minister to the surrounding area. This year, listeners donated food so that 450 families could receive Easter Dinner baskets; listeners also donated a record number (12,500) of gifts for children of prisoners.

The WBCL website is a popular source of encouragement and education. Find WBCL on the web at www.wbcl.org.

THE PRESIDENCY

Dr. David Gyertson was presented on March 13 as the 29th president of Taylor University. Gyertson, who was approved as the president-elect at the March 12 meeting of the Board of Trustees, assumed the office on July 1, 2000.

Gyertson's appointment as president-elect marked the end of the search and screen process that began in May of 1998. He was among the 130 individuals originally identified by Taylor constituents.

Former president Dr. Kesler continues to serve the University as chancellor.

BUILDING PROJECTS

The Hodson Dining Commons in Upland experienced a major change with an addition to the southwest side of the building. Improvements also were made for handicap accessibility, improved restrooms and environmental conditions. The Eicher Student Commons on the Fort Wayne campus is nearing completion. It is hoped all functions will be in full operation by January 2001.

Plans are in place to move forward on several additional projects when funding is available. Funds are still needed for the Kesler Student Activities Center, the Lehman Library addition, and the Metcalf Visual Arts Center.

College of Adult & Lifelong Learning

Terry Wise

• Dr. Terry S. Wise, Ph.D., began Jan. 1 as the vice president for adult and continuing studies to oversee the new and innovative programs anticipated within the College of Adult and Lifelong Learning.

• There were more than 1,500 new enrollments for online or correspondence courses.

• There are currently 37 students in the online associate of arts degree program.

• There were more than 1,056 online or correspondence courses completed.

• The World Wide Campus won an Addy Award and a Judges Row Award (runner-up to best of show) from the Advertising Association of Fort Wayne for printed advertising materials.

• Over 260 vitas have been received from qualified individuals who desire to become adjunct faculty in the College of Adult and Lifelong Learning.

Sharing information

A complex software system, Banner from SCT, now links Taylor computer-users to quick access of important information. The conversion itself required over 40 man-years of effort throughout the University. The final component of conversion was to include the new distance education program within the College of Adult and Lifelong Learning.

The system has been upgraded many times during the conversion process. Taylor is now incorporating a web interface to allow students to access their grades, accounts and eventually financial information through a single, secure application.

• New and innovative distance learning programs are being planned that will provide academically sound course work and the flexibility of distance learning for adult learners.

• A market analysis is currently underway regarding current and future courses and programs.

• 600 individuals participated in the Community School of the Arts.

• The Center for Justice and Urban Leadership moved as of Aug. 1 from the College of Adult and Lifelong Learning to the academic program of the Fort Wayne campus.

New initiatives

The Institute for Organizational Effectiveness

Plans developed over the course of the fiscal year to begin The Institute for Organizational Effectiveness, a Taylor-sponsored program to build leadership capacity and organizational effectiveness within nonprofit organizations in Allen County, Indiana.

The Institute is funded by a $3 million dollar grant over the next three years from the Foellinger Foundation of Fort Wayne.

Nonprofit leaders will be placed in cohorts of their peers for a year of intensive training. As participants within the cohort come to better understand their organizations' needs, they will have the opportunity to apply for a grant, distributed through Taylor and funded by the Foellinger Foundation, to further the development of their organization.

Other development initiatives are emerging in Indianapolis and the Southeast United States under a broader initiative of the Institute.

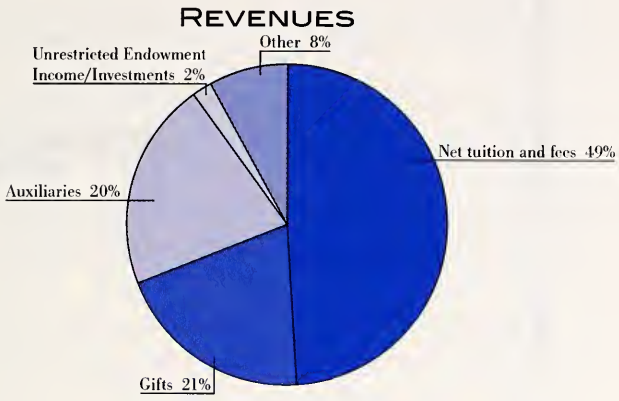
Liabilities and Assets

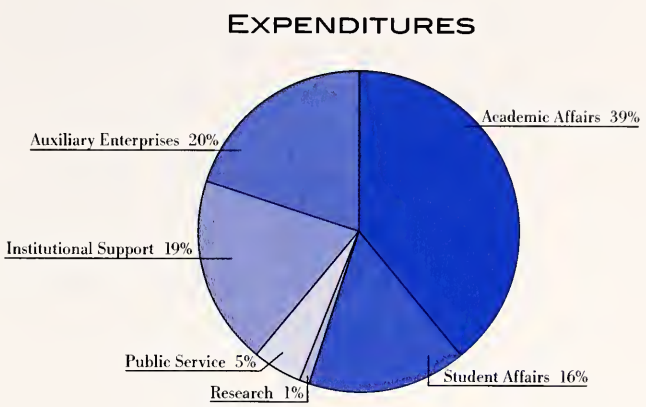
Balance sheet

Fiscal years 1999-2000, 1998-99 and 1997-98
(in millions of dollars)

	1999-2000	1998-99	1997-98
Cash and Cash Equivalents	$ 0.1	$ 0.2	$ 0.5
Receivables	10.0	9.0	8.1
Investments	29.0	28.6	17.1
Endowed Assets	33.2	33.8	32.0
Annuity/Trust Assets	19.5	17.9	17.6
Physical Plant	46.7	43.2	40.6
Other	0.8	1.2	0.8
TOTAL ASSETS	139.3	133.9	116.7
Accounts Payable/Accruals	7.1	7.1	6.8
Mortgages/ Notes Payable	10.0	10.5	11.2
Government Financial Aid	2.6	2.7	2.7
Trust Liabilities	14.5	13.7	14.0
Other Liabilities	0.6	1.0	0.8
TOTAL LIABILITIES	34.8	35.0	35.5
Unrestricted Net Assets	52.4	47.4	45.7
Temporary Restricted Net Assets	19.2	18.4	6.7
Permanently Restricted Net Assets	32.9	33.1	28.8
TOTAL NET ASSETS	104.5	98.9	81.2
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS	139.3	133.9	116.7

Revenues and Expenditures





University Advancement

University Development, now known as University Advancement, moved closer to the $75 million campaign goal while still working actively with alumni, parents, churches, businesses and the local community. Thanks to Phonathon pledges, matching grants and generous donations, the goals for both the Taylor Fund (Upland campus) and Annual Fund (Fort Wayne campus) were exceeded. The William Taylor Foundation, the estate-planning office of the University, saw an income of $1,135,236, the results of more than 900 personal contacts with alumni and friends of the University.

Alumni relations in Upland continued to serve over 13,000 active alumni. The updated alumni directory was completed this year, and an online alumni directory with over 4,400 names and addresses was added to Taylor's website. Homecoming, the Women's Seminar, alumni gatherings and Parents Weekend continue to unite graduates across the United States.

The Upland university relations office welcomed over 55 groups to campus for conferences, covered several major news stories including the transition of presidential leadership, and published the first special edition of *Taylor Magazine*. The Marion Chronicle-Tribune now carries a weekly feature written by a member of the university relations staff.

In Fort Wayne, the university relations office served over 7,500 guests throughout the year and increased efforts to reach the local community through seminars, news releases and conferences, and a newsletter for the community surrounding the campus.

The Fort Wayne alumni relations office published the first alumni directory since 1992 this year, helping thousands of graduates to reconnect with Taylor friends. Three editions of the *Taylor Fort Wayne Alumnus* magazine were published, covering Family Weekend, a timeline of Fort Wayne campus history and other important events.

One year since its major redesign, the Taylor website receives an average of 12,292 user sessions per week.

Total Giving by Constituency

	Annual/Taylor Fund		Special Projects		Restricted		Other		Total	
	99-00	98-99	99-00	98-99	99-00	98-99	99-00	98-99	99-00	98-99
Trustees & Trustees Emeriti	114,518	102,000	242,006	1,222,809	130,475	209,809	36,060	124,275	523,059	1,658,218
Employees	22,174	25,464	68,203	72,329	58,014	40,416	80,410	71,008	228,802	209,217
Parents	68,528	76,221	19,409	96,398	47,030	46,715	31,669	60,196	166,636	279,530
Alumni	783,779	746,376	574,604	1,325,239	290,617	315,422	189,978	181,283	1,838,978	2,568,320
Friends	321,233	314,646	415,227	1,417,932	214,228	191,183	191,223	267,573	1,141,911	2,191,334
Business/Industry	132,663	93,375	516,000	355,493	142,512	143,006	68,859	175,931	860,034	767,805
ICI	56,928	66,498	2,700	0	3,650	3,500	750	2,850	64,028	72,848
Private Foundations	18,150	41,675	1,010,000	9,000,953	77,880	78,605	411,354	146,359	1,517,384	9,267,592
Estates	500	30,455	425,403	0	2,747	0	31,328	0	459,978	30,455
Churches	6,525	8,550	75	0	2,070	650	193,505	197,381	202,175	206,581
WBCL/William Taylor Fndn.	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1,926,681	1,484,360
Matching Gifts	123,148	127,699	81,169	129,560	47,025	30,865	17,150	13,795	268,492	301,919
Total Gifts	1,648,147	1,632,959	3,354,796	13,620,038	1,016,247	1,060,171	1,252,287	2,725,011	9,198,158	19,038,179

Taylor Tomorrow Campaign

Campaign Gifts and Pledges

Fiscal years 1999-2000, 1998-99 and 1997-98
(amounts represent campaign totals at end of fiscal year)

	1999-00	1998-99	1997-98
Pledges Outstanding	$12,593,000	13,622,000	13,816,000
Gifts Receipted	35,367,000	29,318,000	13,791,000
Deferred Gifts	9,600,000	11,398,000	10,257,000
Total	59,731,000	54,338,000	37,864,000

Four major projects remain toward the completion of the campaign and arrival at the $75 million goal. Those projects are the Eicher Student Commons, the Lehman Library renovations, the Modelle Metcalf Visual Arts Center and the Kesler Student Activities Center.

Major Gifts and Grants

- The English Bonter Mitchell foundation awarded Taylor a grant for $500,000 for use in the addition/renovation of the Lehman Library on the Fort Wayne campus.
- A $200,000 grant from the Lincoln National Foundation also will be used for the Lehman Library project.
- The capital project for construction of the Visual Arts Center on the Upland campus received a major boost with the commitment of $3 million from an anonymous donor.
- The Foellinger Foundation of Fort Wayne has committed $3 million dollars to establish a new program to be known as the Institute for Organizational Effectiveness. This grant is not part of the Taylor Tomorrow campaign. To learn more, see page 9.

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Profile

Being someone's answer to prayer

Marcia and Bob Benjamin

When Bob Benjamin was 16, he made a commitment to give 20 percent of his salary to the Lord's work. Four years later, as a sophomore at Bowling Green State University, he asked Marcia DeLong on a date, and as he walked back to his residence hall that night he mentally made plans to marry Marcia. Bob held to both his commitments, and Taylor University is the better for it.

The Benjamins are Taylor employees and the parents of three graduates, but they both agree that their longest-lasting contribution to Taylor is through their financial support. Faithful donors to their local church and several missionaries, the Benjamins have given generously to Taylor since 1980 as well.

"I enjoy giving," says Bob, a Taylor associate professor of accounting. "I see a need and try to meet it." The need he and his wife first identified was financial support for students, especially missionary kids. They have established the Robert Benjamin Family Merit Scholarship to benefit students in accounting and education. The scholarship, now approximately $3,300 annually, makes a substantial difference for students struggling to pay the tuition bill.

In the 13 years since the scholarship was established, the Benjamins have received numerous letters from grateful students who express their appreciation for the financial support. "A lot of the students tell us they didn't know how they could afford to come back, and that they were praying for help," says Bob.

For Marcia, an education program assistant at Taylor, the rewards of giving are evident. "It's nice being someone's answer to prayer," she says.

lobby of the Rediger Chapel/Auditorium. Carved by Steve Blanchard, the statue has been displayed since 1997.

annual football game between Taylor and Anderson University.

campuses. The sculptures are the work of Anderson, Ind., artist Kenneth Rydén.

Praise

Kingdom builders

Gene L. Rupp '58
Vice president for university advancement

When I joined Taylor's administrative staff, I never imagined I would find myself, 12 years later, writing to announce a $60 million campaign total. Even half that amount would have seemed impossible just a decade ago. But God in His faithfulness has worked miracles beyond what I could dream. As I have often said, "To God be the glory!"

When we began this campaign, our initial goal was $60 million. After reevaluation, we raised our sights to $75 million to include more projects in the campaign. Now, as we rest slightly above that initial goal, I look at the next $15 million with confidence that the Lord will continue to provide as He has in the past. Our praise goes to Him, but we also offer our thanks to the thousands of individuals, companies and foundations that have contributed to the *Taylor Tomorrow* Campaign.

Our current task is two pronged. We must first commit the final phases of the campaign to prayer, seeking the Father's heart to ensure that our efforts are not in vain. Second, we commit ourselves to the campaign's completion, believing fully that each generous donation is being used to fulfill Taylor's mission. It is Christ's kingdom we are building. To Him be the glory.

Gene L. Rupp

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Pray for the Taylor Tomorrow Campaign

"In everything I did, I showed you that by this kind of hard work we must help the weak, remembering the words the Lord Jesus himself said: 'It is more blessed to give than to receive.'" Acts 20:35

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A Glossary of Taylor Terminology:
The phrases that shaped four years of education

Blue Folders: Colored folders used to easily identify high school students on campus visits.

Blue Pills: The joking name for the standard medicines prescribed at Taylor's health center.

Christmas with Jay: A holiday event featuring the Keslers in pajamas.

Dr. Wes Assignments: Daily take-home work of five questions, to be answered with a list of nouns given in multiples of five.

DTR: Define The Relationship; used in many Christian circles, the term refers to a talk between people of the opposite sex where at least one person attempts to express what level of romantic interest exists.

Eighties Night: Annual musical competition now known as 90s Night.

English Hall: Women's residence where, according to legend, "the girls you marry" live.

Family Dinners: An invitation-only supper at the dining commons featuring faculty and staff-hosted tables.

Fumble: A spontaneous tackle of an unsuspecting victim.

Jar Head: A male cross-country runner.

Hanging: Calling someone's name as he or she walks across campus, and then looking the opposite direction.

Holidorm: The nickname given to Bergwall when it was first built because of its air conditioning.

Hollow: TUFW's student union, in Leightner Hall.

Holy Hall: The location of TUFW's Bible and Christian ministries professors' offices.

Horizontal Rain: Standard campus weather.

Kesler's Sex Talk: A favorite chapel subject of former President Kesler.

Lounge Lizards: Couples who display extreme amounts of PDA in residence hall lounges.

Morality Patrol: Teams of Taylor students who patrol campus during Youth Conference, looking for overly-affectionate couples.

Mounds: Man-made mini-hills that landscape the Upland campus.

Mad Dawgs: Female cross-country runners.

NOTD: News of the Day; a daily newsletter of campus happenings.

Olson Hall: A women's residence where, according to legend, "the girls you date" live.

Phub(bbb)s: The unofficial student leader of Morris Hall's "Brotherhood." The Phubs is named as a freshman; each time the student remains in Morris for four years, another "B" is added to the name.

Pick-a-Date: A wing activity where residents select a companion for a planned, often elaborate, activity.

Pick-a-Mate: What a pick-a-date is not, but is often mistaken for.

Pit: An affectionate term for Shultz Residence Hall's basement level.

Ring Down: Late night celebration for women who have just gotten engaged.

Runs: Quick trips to local hangouts such as Ivanhoes, the truck stop, or pizza places. Usually late at night.

Scope Book: Slang for the Student Life Handbook.

Scoping: Scanning an area for interesting members of the opposite sex.

Sleigh Ride Chapel: The last chapel before Christmas when band members would play "Sleigh Ride" as audience members celebrated enthusiastically. The tradition ended in the late 80s.

Soup House: A home adjacent to campus where many missionary kids and others congregate.

Taylathon: Annual class competition bike race around the loop.

Taylor Time: 8:15.

Taylor Tundra: An affection term referring to the local winter climate.

Traying: "Borrowing" a tray from the dining commons to use for sledding.

TroJanes: A female athlete.

UFO: Nickname for the student union.

Vaxing: A primitive form of e-mailing, using the early Vax system.

Walking the Loop: Strolling the perimeter of Taylor Upland's campus with a date.

Do you have a term for the glossary? Send your favorite Taylor term and a brief definition to editor@tayloru.edu.

Bishop Taylor Statue: This hand-carved wooden statue stands watch over the lower lobby of the Rediger Chapel/ Auditorium. Carved by Steve Blanchard, the statue has been displayed since 1997.

***The Wheel:* This wagon-wheel is the victor's prize in the annual football game between Taylor and Anderson University.**

***Samuel Morris Sculpture:* Bronze sculptures can be found on both campuses. The sculptures are the work of Anderson, Ind., artist Kenneth Rydén.**

Stranger things have happened:
You never know what you might see as you walk across campus.

"Is that a student I see carrying a ball and chain?" asked an incredulous employee as she stared out her window. Sure enough, the ball and chain has become a counterpart to the traditional ring down. On the day after any male student gets engaged, you might find him dragging a little extra weight across campus. Pictured here: John Eckrote '00, now married to Amy (Duplain '99).

It's happened more than once: an administrator turns his head and suddenly finds his car is no longer in the parking lot. Here, the car was placed in the lobby of a hall. Fortunately, most pranksters remember to use an oil pan to prevent damage to carpets. One group did ruin a pair of draperies, and collected the money to replace them by panhandling outside the dining commons.

While finding cows on nearby farmland might not surprise the average Taylor student, imagine turning your head to see one walk by on the second floor of the administration building. The 1933 campus newspaper reports this occurrence, proudly claiming four campus journalists and three members of the Varsity Quartet were the guilty parties of this little prank.

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The Hurl: This Upland campus landmark is the one of a three-piece gift of art obtained from the 1988 Sculpture Chicago Project. The other sculptures are The Flexing of Florida, Part II and The Space Grip. The Flexing of Florida was removed from campus in the late 90s due to structural concerns.

The Sunken Gardens: The Class of 1925 presented Taylor with the money and manual labor to create a garden area east of Maria Wright Hall. The Hall was destroyed by fire in 1960. Here Dr. Ayres admires the garden.

University with a degree in mass communication. She assists the enrollment department in marketing.

Jennifer Woolever, admissions counselor, returns to serve her alma mater. Prior to returning to Taylor she served with Camfel Productions for two years. During that period, she traveled to 30 states with the multimedia, anti-drug assemblies organization.

Students

Lindsey Carpenter, junior, Reading, MI; **Anthony Chapman**, junior, Warwick, RI; and **Marc Kelley**, junior, Bronson, MI, are studying abroad this semester in Israel at Jerusalem University College. Marc says, "It is great being here and living inside the Old City Walls. Studying the land brings an entirely different light on the scriptures."

The Student Ambassador program provides students the opportunity to serve and represent the University. **Jaime Roberts**, junior, Christian education major, Portland, IN; **Saida Sanchez**, junior, cross-cultural studies major; Warsaw, IN; and **Megan Wood**, senior, youth ministries major, Zanesville, IN, all serve the University in this capacity.

The following students were inducted into Alpha Chi, a coeducational society, promoting academic excellence and exemplary character among college and university students. Seniors: **Christopher Pelz**, business information, applications & accounting/ information applications, Fort Wayne, IN; **Sharon Ridenour**, business information applications, West Lafayette, IN; **Jennifer Short,** psychology, Archbold, OH; **Traci Slager**, social work, Fort Wayne, IN. Juniors: **Greta Ehlers**, pastoral ministries, Fort Wayne, IN; **Nicholas Hayden**, professional writing, Kendallville, IN; **Joshua Lee**, urban ministry, Haslette, MI; **Nathan Patterson,** pastoral ministries, Berne, IN; and **Andrew Booth**, music ministry, Fort Wayne, IN.

The following students' book, video and CD reviews appeared in the summer 2000 issue of Church Libraries, along with **Dr. Dennis Hensley's, Dr. Pam Jordan's** and **Gladys Smith's** (registrar) reviews: **Jason Burnett g00,** Fort Wayne, IN; **Dennis Crosson,** freshman, Columbia City, IN; **Kevin Damesworth g00,** Fort Wayne, IN; **Jennifer Edgar**, sophomore, DoBary, FL; **Kelly Greenamyer,** sophomore, Angola, IN; **Nick Hayden**, sophomore, Kendallville, IN; **Jeanette Hensely**, senior, TUU, Fort Wayne, IN; **Anne Marie Holwerda**, junior, Tinley Park, IN; **Jennifer Hynes**, sophomore, TUU, Morgantown, IN; **Heidi Knipple**, sophomore, English, Menasha, WI; **Jennifer Leverett**, junior, Warsaw, IN; **Crystal Miller**, freshman, Fairmount, IN; **Lora Nussbaum**, freshman, Fort Wayne, IN; **Holly Taylor g00**, Columbia City, IN, **Sarah Vestal**, junior, Indianapolis, IN; **Erica Williams**, sophomore, Bloomington, IN.

Despite their most difficult schedule in school history and a record of 4-14, the men's soccer team continues to improve and grow in unity each game. *Team members include: Todd Bowman, senior, Mansfield, OH; Michael Collins, sophomore, West Milton, OH; Adam Doiron, senior, Wakarusa, IN; Jon Ferguson, junior, Metamora, IL; Tim Henderson, freshman, Holmdel, NJ; Nate Hendriksen, junior, Waukesha, WI; Paul Kellogg, junior, Fort Wayne, IN; Grant Mayer, sophomore, Iron Mountain, MI; Chris Mills, freshman, Nairobi, Kenya; Russ Pawlowski, senior, Fort Wayne, IN; Chris Pelz, senior, Fort Wayne, IN; Jose Sanchez, junior, Fort Wayne, IN; Steve Shannon, sophomore, Chambersburg, PA; Matt Thebarge, sophomore, Bloomington, IL; Ben Walker, senior, Otsego, MI; and Joshua Wolff, freshman, Monroeville, IN.*

The Lady Falcon volleyball team has a record of 17 wins-16 losses. Their goal is to win 20 matches and qualify for the NCCAA Division I midwest regional tournament. *Team members include: Nicole Ahr, freshman, Fort Wayne, IN; Heather Auer, freshman, Fort Wayne, IN; Nicole Baksha, junior, Naperville, IL; Becky Emelander, freshman, Orland, IN; Brianna Harper, freshman, Brownsburg, IN; Tracy Jurgens, freshman, Holland, MI; Jenni Leverett, junior, Warsaw, IN; Brenda McDonald, freshman, St. Johns, MI; Stephanie Morad, freshman, Kijabe, Kenya; Lora Nussbaum, freshman, Fort Wayne, IN; Khristina Peppas, sophomore, Fort Wayne, IN; and Kate Tucker, junior, Lebanon, PA.*

JOANNA NUSS
In her four years at TUFW, JoAnna has served as a resident assistant, a volunteer at the Aboite Missionary Church youth group and has served on the prayer council. Currently, she is an aid to chaplain Bud Hamilton and serves as assistant chaplain to worship team director, Marcel Murray. "The worship practices have helped me learn more about worship and how to express my heart to God in a deeper way. I've also defined what I believe and learned how to share my convictions about true worship." JoAnna's future plans include marriage in July, graduate school, and ministry either as a marriage and family therapist or a youth pastor.

JEREMY REYNOLDS
After four years on the worship team, Jeremy has come to the understanding that he needs to be specific with everything he does, because worship is not simply an action. It's a lifestyle. It's an act of service where everything done in life is a specific act to glorify God. "Marcel has a deeper understanding of what worship is," he says, "he has taught me things about it that I hadn't thought of."

Jeremy says there's something spiritual about music that transcends just words and conveys emotion above the doldrums of daily life and directs us to the throne room of God.

Gospelcom Partnership Makes Webcasts Possible

When Dr. Gyertson is inaugurated as Taylor's 29th president this spring, alumni all across the world may be able to hear the ceremony over the Internet, thanks to a new partnership between Taylor and Gospelcom.net.

Gospelcom, a division of Gospel Communications International, Inc., was 1999's most visited religious Website. The site, and the organization, serve as a gathering house of ministries that use the free web space and resources Gospelcom offers. Members have access to technical assistance, training, software, hardware and server storage space.

Taylor's World Wide Campus has been a Gospelcom member for two years. The contract between Taylor and Gospelcom now gives the whole university access to the resources.

The University will continue to operate her own Website, but will rely on Gospelcom's resources for additional features, including the potential to broadcast audio or video files of special and sporting events live over the Internet. Gospelcom's resources will also be used for archiving files, hosting course work for the World Wide Campus and possibly for use in E-commerce applications.

According to Bob Hodge, vice president for planning, strategic initiatives and technology, the partnership with Gospelcom will allow Taylor to reach larger audiences. "Seekers find their way to Gospelcom," he says.

University webmaster Evan Kittleman says information regarding future webcasts will be available at www.tayloru.edu.

Does God Give Grades on Report Cards?

"Dear God, am I going to get a F on my report card?" asks seven year-old Claudia. Her question comes at the invitation of Dr. Mark Cosgrove, Taylor professor of psychology. Cosgrove has spent the last five years compiling children's questions and letters to God, and pictures of God.

"I was really intrigued by Matthew 18 and 19 where Christ says a child's faith should be an example of our own," says Cosgrove. His interest in Christ's comments led to a study of children's perceptions of God.

With the help of Taylor students, Cosgrove has collected more than 3,500 responses from children ages 5 to 12. He's recently expanded the age limit to 17, in an attempt to understand the development of thought as a child matures. Cosgrove and student workers are in the process of analyzing the results of the responses, but he can offer some initial findings.

Cosgrove says he is impressed by the responses that indicate a trust in God despite suffering. In letters to God, Cosgrove finds that children often make requests, that are most often for the benefit of others. And while some children talk about their struggles, none of the letters address feelings of guilt or legalistic behavior common among adults. Most surprising, however, is the clear longing for heaven Cosgrove finds in the responses.

"Kids are having fun here on earth," he says. "And yet they're ready to go to heaven at a moment's notice. We adults are having a horrible time here, and yet we cling to this miserable existence."

Nature's Flood Control is Subject of Taylor, Government Partnership

Two hundred years of agriculture and development have reduced Indiana's wetlands to a mere fraction of what they were in the mid-1800s. The result, says Dr. Ed Squiers, professor of biology and environmental science, is disastrous.

"Wetlands are the environment's natural flood control," says Squiers. During rainy seasons, wetland areas soak up excess moisture and then release that moisture downstream during dry seasons. The process prevents both floods and droughts.

As a part of an on-going effort to protect these valuable resources, Taylor's Environmental Research Group completed a major study of wetland assessment, funded by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency and the Indiana Department of Natural Resources. Squiers, along with colleagues Dr. Paul Rothrock, Robert Reber, Dr. Ray Grizzle and **Joel Mejeur g00TUU**, conducted the two-year study of more than 80 Indiana wetlands. The results of this work may be viewed at www.tayloru.edu/wetlands/.

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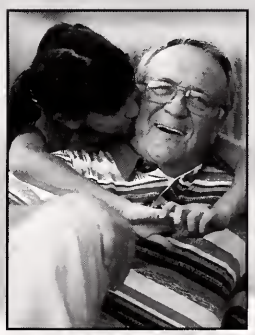

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Pictured above: Dr. Leroy Kinzer '59 and granddaughter.

New Beginnings: Reflections from the Alumni Council President

Each year as school approaches, teachers converge in droves upon a store in Fort Wayne known as United Art and Education. They revel in buying books, stickers, posters and all sorts of other supplies. To educators, Fall signals a time to begin again; they love the shine of fresh wax, the smell of new books, and the roar of the kids--whether those kids are 10 or 20!

There is excitement among the faculty at Taylor Fort Wayne, also. A new building under construction, new classes being offered, a new president, and the wonderful noise of students . . . everywhere . . . beginning a new school year.

My son, Matt, is among those students. The year 2000 is marking the beginning of his studies in the area of pastoral ministries. It's a new path for this former biomedical engineering major, as he seeks God's best plan for his life. How wonderful that he can study at a university where the faculty and administration will join him in praying for clear direction.

As I sat in the Alumni Office a few weeks ago and watched a candid videotape of our new president Dr. Gyertson, I was encouraged that there is a refreshed sense of purpose at our school. His remarkable sensitivity to understanding heritage while facing the challenge of designing a twenty-first century education, reassured me that this is indeed a university where students may grow in knowledge and vision.

The Alumni Council of Taylor Fort Wayne invites you to join us in praying that this year will be one of the best yet. May God's blessing be upon Dr. Gyertson, the faculty, administration, and staff. And may Taylor Fort Wayne students celebrate God's goodness to them as they begin again.

Susi Jones g71
Alumni Council President

Alumni/TUFW Student Mission Trip

The Alumni office, in conjunction with Taylor World Outreach (TWO), is planning an alumni/student mission trip to Ecuador, March 24 through April 1, 2001. The group will work with HCJB doing light to medium construction and ministry.

"Missions have always been a focus of the Fort Wayne campus," Michael Mortensen, director of alumni relations and annual giving explained. "It is my hope that our alumni will desire to partner with our current students to serve Christ in this project. I think having both groups together will be a lot of fun!"

In addition to the work and ministry, Mortensen hopes to connect with alumni in Ecuador, who are serving as missionaries.

Funds for the trip can be raised through TWO. Costs for the trip are projected to be between $1,200 and $1,500. "We are happy to provide resources to help participants raise the money for the trip," Mortensen explained.

Please contact Mortensen at 219-744-8790 or mcmortens@tayloru.edu as soon as possible if interested in this mission opportunity.

Alumni Council

The members of the 2000-01 alumni council met during Family Weekend, pictured are (front row, left to right): ***Cyril Eicher g32, Joy Gerig g52 & 66, Susi Jones g71, Evelyne Schmidt g42; Joy (Bixler) Forbes g77, Amy Level g92, Deb Shaw g80, Orville Schlatter g59, Renae (Arnett) Schaller g97, Teri (Beard) Hogg g86, Linda Maricle g69, Violet Ringenberg g45; Ken Conrad g71, Jerry Noble g72, Paul Erdel g48, Scott Brunsting g97, John Steiner g63 and Michael Mortensen g91TUU.***

Alumni Soccer Reunion:

Varsity falcons beat alumni in overtime: the varsity team is pictured in white jerseys, alumni are in dark jerseys.

The Taylor Fort Wayne varsity soccer team narrowly beat the Fort Wayne alumni team in an overtime shoot-out Saturday, Sept. 23. The game was tied 5 to 5; as time expired forcing the shoot-out, which the varsity team won 5-4. Nineteen alumni players from the 80s and 90s and their families and students watched the game held at Foster Park, despite intermittent rain showers.

Following the match, a reunion dinner was served in the Private Dinning Rooms in Founders Hall, where Michael Mortensen, director of alumni relations and annual giving, and Bud Hamilton, athletic director, gave a campus update. Dr. David Gyertson, new Taylor president, gave a videotaped greeting as well.

A Life Dedicated to Service

After a month's orientation required of candidates for service under what was then the Sudan Interior Mission (SIM), **Genevieve "Gen" Kooy g50**, a registered nurse, was assigned to the newly opened Galmi hospital in Niger Territory, a part of old French West Africa. Study of the French language in Paris followed, but still an African language had to be learned before she could communicate with the people to whom she would minister.

Galmi was located in the center of Niger on the edge of the Sahara Desert on the one corrugated dirt road that ran east to west. Scenery included nothing but rock and sand. "The living conditions were quite bleak," reflects **Lois (Held) Forster g56**, classmate of Gen and fellow SIM missionary. "There was no electricity in the hospital for years. The temperatures in the night could reach to 102 degrees Fahrenheit, not to mention the extreme heat of midday; Gen worked through these conditions like a real soldier." The hospital staff consisted of one doctor and two nurses to carry the grueling schedule, treating every possible illness, tropical disease, pregnancies/deliveries and just about every type of surgery minus transplants. A few nurses were added to the team through the years. They performed both outpatient and ward duty, day and night, along with the emergency cases brought in from the main road, where vehicle maintenance was virtually unknown.

Given that the primary means of transportation was to climb atop a truck carrying a load of grain or peanuts, it is needless to say that safety precautions were unknown. Gen remembers one tragic accident with about 30 people involved. She was on night duty and around midnight the first woman was brought in, dead on arrival, the second one shared the same status, the third was so seriously injured that life hung in the balance. Trembling with the responsibility, she called the doctor who had worked hard all day, to return, and the weary laborers continued to pour forth their efforts to life-saving measures.

There was no other hospital for hundreds of miles in any direction. It was not unknown for patients to pass by a government hospital to travel to the hospital in Galmi where they knew full well of the love and skilled care of the missionaries.

Every missionary tried to make time in his or her busy schedule for bed-to-bed evangelism, village visitation and other avenues of Gospel presentation. Nationals began to be employed to assist in the work, some were Christians, affording a nucleus for the beginning of a church. Growth was very slow. Gen taught Sunday School and conducted a girls' club. Though children professed to accept the Lord, fear of parents and Muslim teachers often resulted in very few truly walking with the Lord. In her love and concern, Gen sent some children to a Christian school. One boy became like a son to her -- he still calls her "mother" and writes of his concern for her in her present illness.

During the last six years of service, Gen's load was lightened as she supervised the hospital pharmacy. Gen is now seriously disabled with Parkinson's's disease, the symptoms of which were evident before she left Africa in 1990. No doctor nor nurse surpassed Gen in years of service at Galmi. She is the only one who put in 40 years in this most difficult and demanding work.

"In Gen's day," says a Christian woman, whose husband is in U.S. government service in Niger, "...living conditions were primitive. And yet, this is the comment of an American visitor, 'We arrive at Galmi. I got a tour. I was and still am in shock. The smell...the people...the third world conditions. It took me all day to get the smell out of my nose.... When I left, I realized that the missionaries either had to be really called by God or they were just insane.'"

-Alberta Simms, with Lois Forster, both fellow SIM missionaries to Galmi.

Gen with some of her "grandchildren" in Galmi.

We love to hear from alumni! Celebrate the joys of your classmates: weddings, births, professional achievements. Share in carrying their sorrows and disappointments, as well. Share your news with us and we'll spread the news!

Michael Mortensen
Director of Alumni and Annual Giving

Tami Solak
Secretary to Alumni and Annual Giving

Key to Alumni News Notes
g=graduate
fs=former student
ha=honorary alumnus

45 **Hilda (Warye) Brenneman g45** had the opportunity to participate at a conference in Jordan last fall. For many Christian women living in Arabian countries, this was their first opportunity to participate in such an event.

RECOGNITION OF PAUL STEINER

Paul Steiner g50 began serving on the Governing Board of Fort Wayne Bible College (later Summit Christian College) in 1977. After the merger in 1992 he joined the Board of Trustees of Taylor University. In recognition of his 23 years of continuous service, the Board of Trustees elected Mr. Paul Steiner to the Taylor University Council of Trustees Emeriti at their October meeting of the Board.

51 **Alumni Banquet**
May 25, 2001
Don't miss the class of 1951's 50th Class Reunion

52 **Robert g52 and Amy (Leightner) Burley g47** celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary this past July in Winona Lake, IN. Robert has retired from Lake City Bank and Amy has retired from Light and Life Bookshop.

In May of 2000, **Charles Kauffman g52** completed his fiftieth year as an ordained minister in the Missionary Church and is still active in the ministry.

53 **Pete and Donelda (Coy) Peterson g53** returned home from the mission field in France in October, after forty-six years of ministry there. They plan to return to France after their one year home assignment, but their son and daughter-in-law, Roger and Susan, will be taking over their ministry. Please pray for them in this time of transition. You can e-mail them at PeteDoneldaPeterson@compuserve.com.

Berman g53 and Louise **Smith** celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on June 4, 2000.

58 **Harold fs58** and Evelyn **Rhoads** have two sons and one daughter who are all married with children now. Harold retired from the ministry in 1988. Presently he and his wife fill in at various churches and work on mission projects where needed.

61 **Howard g61 and Ruth (Ringenberg) Moser g61** are serving as missionaries in Quito, Ecuador. Their ministry there has changed some. They are now focusing on visiting and ministering to discharged patients from Hospital Vozandes in the extensive area of South Quito. Their son, Nathan, was married to Amy Maximiadou this past August. Please pray for Howard's health and for their continuing work in Ecuador. They can be reached at hlrmoser@uio.satnet.net.

65 **Darryl Congos g65** is currently working on his masters degree in education Administration and Supervision. He and his wife, Laurie, and their three

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66 **Myron g66 and Elizabeth "Betty" Harrison g65** are home from the mission field and will be spending the next year in Toronto, Canada, visiting friends and supporting churches in both the U.S. and Canada. You can e-mail them at harrisonbetty@omf.net or harrisonmyron@omf.net.

67 **John g67 and Arlene (Dissinger) Motter g67** are pastoring Phillipsburg Missionary Church in Phillipsburg, OH. John also serves as the chaplain of Day View Care Center.

70 **Randy g70 and Jan (Stirn) Walker g71** live in Dyer, IN. They have three boys, ages 20, 22, and 24 years old. Jan is a substitute teacher in Hammond, IN, and has added an LD endorsement to her bachelors degree.

73 **Gordon g73 and Margaret (Stamm) Schumacher g72** have a new addition to their family. They adopted a son, Micah, in January 1999.

74 **Gary g74 and Ann (Thompson) Brown fs74** now live in Winnebago, IL. Gary has just began the responsibility of conference superintendent of the western conference of the Evangelical Congregational Church.

Janet Nickel g74 left in September to return to the mission field in Guinea, West Africa. Janet will minister with the Larry Rupp family to the refugees in Guinea. In preparing for this journey, she has learned French and undergone intense training in the areas of caregiving and spiritual warfare. Prayers for safety on the mission field and for financial support would be greatly appreciated. You can e-mail her at JanetNickel@compuserve.com.

75 **Marcia (Birkey) Krahn g75** serves as the part-time secretary at Trinity Mennonite Church in Morton, IL. She celebrated her 25th wedding anniversary in May, and has five children ranging in age from 13 to 21, all of whom were home-schooled.

Roy and Darla (Schock) Oksnevad g75 and their three children, Dan, Josh, and Darla, are living in Chicago and serve as missionaries with the South Asian Friendship Center. Please pray for them while they are on the mission field: especially for Roy's health, for the publication of literature that they have written for their ministry, for support for the year 2001, and as they work with the foreigners in the Chicago area. They can be reached at Oksnevad@aol.com.

76 **Ross g76 and Carla (Rupp) Mahan g76** and their four children, Kara, Nathan, Erin and Megan, live in Jackson, MI. Ross is pastor of Faith Evangelical Lutheran Church. They can be reached at mahan@voyager.net.

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25th Class Reunion

77 **Dewey g77 and Diana Gregor) Johnson g75** and their three children, Peter, Kirk and Susanna, reside in Northport, AL. Dewey serves as pastor of Faith Bible Church, Vance, AL, and is also director at CEF of West Central Alabama. You can e-mail them at deweydiana@juno.com.

Stan Kistler g77 received his doctorate in Christian counseling in May 2000, from New Wine School of the Bible.

78 **Mark g78** and Dee **Krueger** arrived safely in Guinea, West Africa, in July. Please pray for them as they adjust to the mission field and for their ministry. You can contact them at MarkKrueger@compuserve.com.

79 **Bruce fs79 and Dianne (Yerke) Rocke g79** are full swing into their careers. Since 1997, Dianne has been a free-lance Christian writer and Bruce has been serving as the Evangelical Mennonite Conference Bible quiz director since 1995.

Rich Sommer g79, his wife Kim, and their son, O'Brian, live in Peoria, IL, where Rich pastors New Jerusalem Church and is also the president of Sports Associates Ltd.

Cassie Sorenson fs79 works at South Side Mission, Peoria, IL, as mission assistant. She is also working on a masters degree at Southwest Missouri State.

Cindy (Tucker) g79 and Ronald **Taylor** live in Valparaiso, IN, and attend First Church of the Nazarene. They have one son, Brent David (12). Cindy currently works in salary payroll and accounts receivable at Uqimag Inc.

80 **Carol Findlay g80** is in Korea doing missionary work. She would like prayer for two upcoming evangelistic conferences.

Randy g80 and Carolyn (Kauffman) Fudge g80 began ministering at International Christian Academy, a boarding school for missionary kids, in August. They would like prayer for a smooth transition into their new duties as chaplain and administrative assistant.

81 **John g81** and Julie **Gerig** are home on furlough until June 2001. They have been serving as missionaries in Russia with World Partners USA. They can be reached at 36437 Traer Terrace, Gurnee, IL 60031, or via e-mail at 10413.2435@compuserve.com.

Tim TUU g81 and Jeannie (Gerig) Johnson g78 and their children, Julie, and Jared, are one of 80 TEAM missionary families in Japan. Please pray for them as Tim is now the vice-chairman of TEAM Japan. You can e-mail them at timjeannie@aol.com.

Mark g81 and Susan (Doughty) Whiticar g81 and their four children, Aaron, James, Rachel, and Rebekah, now live in Bracebridge, Canada. Mark is a business manager at The Sign Guy. You can e-mail them at whiticar.thesignguy@on.aibn.com.

82 **Vicki (Smith) Berchtold g82** currently works as a caseworker for Lutheran Social Services, Pekin, IL. She is married to William; they have two children. You may reach them at 400 Cypress St, Pekin, IL 61554.

Rev. David Hughes g82, his wife and four children pastor Saint Stephens Church, Columbus, GA. They can be reached at 50 Daniel Dr., Fortson, GA 31808 or you can e-mail them at owssociety@aol.com.

83 **Hal g83 and Susan (Zimmerman) Lehman g82** and their three children, Seth, Stacie, and Stephanie, are missionaries in Nabire, Irian Jaya. Please keep them in your prayers. E-mail them at Hlehman@maf.org.

Duane Mabee g83 was named pastor of North River Alliance Church in Chattanooga, TN, this past August. He served as associate pastor there since 1993 and also currently does provider network management for CIGNA Health Care.

Jim fs83 and Renee **Hughes** are stationed in Charlotte, NC, with the Charlotte Eagles Soccer Club. Jim is the operations director and camp administrator.

84 **Jeff g84 and Jean (Ayabe) Gerig g84** live in Troy, OH, where Jeff serves as ministry coordinator in the East Central Missionary Church district office; Jean is the district office secretary.

Tony g84 and Vicki (Vincent) Miller g83 have moved back to Wisconsin. Their new address is N8705 Scout Rd., East Troy, WI 53120. Vicki is employed at Timber-lee Christian Center as business office coordinator. Tony received his bachelor degree in elementary education from the University of Wisconsin in 1991. He is currently pursuing his associates degree in nursing. He is a referee for youth recreational soccer and is also an E.M.T./paramedic.

85 **Don g85 and Marla (Murray) Bettinger g84** and their four sons, Aaron, Andrew, Micah and Isaac, are doing missionary work in Taiwan at Taichung Church. Please pray for their work in teaching the natives the English language.

Steve g85 and Laurie **Gagnon** moved to Wisconsin two years ago. Steve works as a roof and floor truss designer.

Lyn g85 and Kimm (Updegrove) Loewen g86 live in Fremont, IN. Lyn is in his 14th year working with Youth for Christ. Kimm is an assistant teacher for emotionally handicapped high school students in Angola, IN. You can e-mail them at loudlyn@hotmail.com or baloonbaby@hotmail.com.

Ken g85 and Teri (Beard) Hogg g86 of Commerce, MI, have hosted four exchange students from Brazil and Germany in the past three years. They are currently parents of two foster children and one child of their own. Additionally, Teri traveled to Istanbul on a mission trip this past summer.

86 **Brad g86** and Dee **Ball** are in Matsumoto, Okinawa City, Japan, assisting another couple at the Kadena Christian Center. They will be serving there until Thanksgiving.

Joe g86 and Lori (Wyatt) Butora fs87 reside in Grove City, OH, where Joe serves as the morning residential supervisor at the Ohio School for the Deaf. He has taken on additional responsibilities as assistant coach for high school varsity soccer and baseball. Lori is the site manager for the Grove City Parks and Recreation Department. Their two sons, Joshua and Jonathan, are in their second year of homeschooling.

Marilyn Millar g86 is employed at UMPC Passavont Hospital, Pittsburgh, PA, in the food service department. She attends Cornerstone Christian Community Church.

Tim gTUU86 and Joan (Ronde) Smith g85 have moved to Canada. Their new address is 44 Sleigh Drive, Redwood Meadows, AB, Canada, T3Z 1A1. Please pray for their family as Joan's sister was recently killed in an automobile accident. Email them at jmronde@hotmail.com

Rev. John Taylor g86 is in his fourteenth year of service as senior pastor of Trinity Missionary Church, Springfield, OH.

88 **Todd g88** and Kristen **Hoatson** received confirmation from Wycliffe Bible Translators of their assignment overseas to Indonesia. They will not leave for two years because Todd is working on his masters degree.

89 **Bruce g89 and Dawn (Clark) Cluckie g89** and their daughters, Allison and Erin, are home in Fort Wayne, on furlough from the mission field. They will renew family ties and old friendships, searching for prayer support, visiting support churches and preparing for another four years on the

Alumni Directory Available

Looking for a college friend? Ever wonder what happened to the person down the hall? Look or wonder no longer, the Alumni Relations office has published the Taylor Fort Wayne Millennium Directory.

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mission field. You can contact them at 110422.406@compuserve.com.

David g89 and Peggy (Hines) Rouch fs78 live in Fort Wayne, IN. Peggy works at ITT Aerospace Communications and Dave is on disability due to chronic illness. Dave was a substitute teacher for four years and taught at Fort Wayne Christian School for three years. Prayers for Dave's health would be greatly appreciated. Their daughter, Amy, is a freshman at TUFW this year.

Peter Schulz g89 has recently completed his doctorate degree in clinical psychology at Wheaton College and will be moving to New Hampshire to complete a one year internship with the Federal Bureau of Prisons outside of Boston.

90 **Rich g90 and Laura (Berring) Andrews g93** have a daughter, Sarah Joan, born on October 19, 1999. They would like prayer for their son, Peter (6), because he will be having his tenth surgery this December.

91 Timothy and **Brenda (Leming) Steinmeier g91** live in Grand Rapids, MI. Brenda works at Mars Hill Bible Church. They have two children, Jonathan and Abigail.

Jon g91 and Vicki (Michael) Anderson g91 currently reside in Bloomington, IN. Vicki is working on her Ph.D. in linguistics and Jon is telecommuting with an insurance company in New Jersey as a computer programmer.

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Brian g91 and Debbie (Messinger) Eicher g93 reside in Mooresville, IN. Brian works for Fed-Ex and also serves as the part-time worship leader at his church. Debbie teaches kindergarten through fourth grade part-time at a Christian school .

92 **Tricia Hobson g92** is in her fifth year of teaching Kindergarten at Mayflower Mill Elementary School, Lafayette, IN.

Michael and **Shellie (Paladi) Sarll g92** reside in La Fontaine, IN. They have two sons, Austin and Codie. Mike is working at Ford Meter Box in Wabash, IN, and Shellie is now a stay at home mom.

Marci (Logan) g92 and Phil **Tuckey** celebrated their seventh wedding anniversary in July. They have a son, Logan (2). Marci enjoys working as a cosmetologist part-time and being a full-time mom to Logan.

93 **Rob g93 and Jill (Swanson) Burton g90** recently moved; their new address is 26W258 MacArthur Ave., Carol Stream, IL 60188; e-mail them at Jill.C.Burton@wheaton.edu. In May of 1999, Rob received his masters in educational ministries from Wheaton Graduate School . He teaches second grade at Circle Rock Preparatory School, Chicago. Jill continues to serve as dispatch/access coordinator for Wheaton College public safety. She began working on her masters degree this fall.

Dave g93 and Candace (Northcutt) Cussen g93 moved to Sullivan, IN, mid-June. Dave has taken a youth pastor position at Crossroads Community Church and will coordinate the children's ministries as well. Their address is 10 North Section St. Apt. # 1, Sullivan, IN 47882; e-mail them at dmcussen@juon.com.

Mark g93 and Amie (Paladi) Reneau g93 have two children, Riley (4) and Chloe (2). Amie works at home raising their children and Mark works at Park Center's education center as a case manager in Fort Wayne, IN.

Michael Roehm g93 lives in Garrett, IN. He works part-time in a factory and is the volunteer associate pastor of New Life Ministries.

94 **Petula Myers g94** is a missionary in Indianapolis with Global Ambassadors based out of Eagle Church. She works with the city's refugees while learning the Serbo-Croatian language. Please pray for her and the other volunteers as they teach the refugees the English language and minister to them. Petula can be reached at pmyers@eaglechurch.com.

95 **Joe Boway g95** has been a missionary recruiter with Lutheran Bible Translators, Aurora, IL, since 1998. He recently traveled to Liberia for the dedication of the Krahn New Testament.

Sarah (Matthew) Curry g95 received her masters degree in teaching from Columbia International University; she teaches kindergarten at Woodward Academy. She and her husband, Steven, live in Westland, MI. You can e-mail them at TheSSCurry@msn.com.

Cathy (Crowder) Miller g95 is involved at Fellowship Missionary Church with the worship team and hearts and hands ministry. She, her husband, Stuart, and their three children, Micah (4), Caleb (3), and Leah (2), live in Ossian, IN.

Stewart "Greg" g95 and Lynn (Robb) Tidwell gTUU88 have two sons, Josh and Benjamin. Greg serves as a therapist at Crossroad Children's Home, Fort Wayne.

96 **Laura (Meinert) Bidle g96** was reunited with her birth mother after more than 26 years. She and **David g94** recently moved to 320 East Himes St., North Webster, IN 46555. E-mail them at Bidle96@kconline.com.

Tony Clausen g96 teaches first grade at Faith Community Christian School, Martinsville, IN, and coaches volleyball at Indian Creek Middle School.

97 **Mark "Weasel" Hammond g97** is in his fourth year as Campus Life director at Snider High School, Fort Wayne, IN. He also coaches the girls varsity soccer team at Snider.

Chris fs97 and Amy (Wheat) Miller g94 celebrated their seventh wedding anniversary this past July. Chris works for Byerly Aviation and Amy is a homemaker and creative memories consultant.

98 **Dave Arnold g98** is student ministry pastor at New Hope Community Church. He and his wife, Amy, live at 405 S. Beech St., Bryan, OH 43506.

Kevin DeVries g98 serves as youth pastor at Village Evangelical Free Church in South Holland, IL. **Cathy (Hoover) fs99** is studying nursing.

Bob Hamilton g98 works for Conseco in their insurance/investing department and coaches the TUFW's men's soccer team.

Rick g98 is a full-time magician and **Lindsay (Mills) Merrill fs99** is an eighth grade history teacher in Grand Rapids, MI.

Kent Morton g98 is director of Mission Teams International for Church Growth Center, his wife, **Angie (Schumacher) g98**, is an admissions counselor/campus visit coordinator at TUFW. You may e-mail them at kentmorton@hotmail.com.

Benjamin g98 and Jill (Stackert) Polhemus g95 pastor the youth and college students at First Baptist Church, Valparaiso, IN. They are starting a coffee house for Valparaiso University college students and the community's youth. Jill is also a dental hygienist.

99 **Daniel Wilson fs99** serves as associate pastor of Trinity Missionary Church in Yale, MI, where he, his wife, Debbie live with daughters Madelyn (2 ½) and Amelia (1).

00 **Rhonda Johnson g00** has taken a position teaching seventh grade science at Bellmont Middle School, Decatur, IN.

Minta Woll g00 is employed by Parkview Hospital, Fort Wayne, in their community relations department.

Marriages

Angie Palumbo to **Dave Arnold g98**, March 3, 2000

Camille Ulrich g98 to Walt Moore, July 22, 2000

Christina Beckwith g00 to Duane Falk, April 29, 2000

Angie Glass g00 to David Peterson, July 22, 2000

Cori Green g00 to **Jason Roton g00**, August 19, 2000

Taryn Roynon g00 to Keith Myers, July 29, 2000

Shannon Wells g00 to **Kevin Damesworth g00**, July 8, 2000

Kim "Nicky" Williams g00 to **Marc Pulfer g96**, July 15, 2000

Amanda Wilson g00 to **Stephen West g00**, June 3, 2000

Future Alumni

John g85 and Denise **Hughes** a son, Victor Isaac, 8-15-00

Israel and **Regina Mujica g90** a son, Israel David, 8-10-00

Ric fs90 and Lori-Ann (Wilson) Snyder g91 a son, Silas Wilson-Snyder, 7-28-00

Duane g93 and Megan (Lewis) Burris g96 TUU a daughter, Nicole Amedee, 1-18-00

Kevin g95 and Sabra Bell fs96 a son, Tyler Nathaniel, 7-28-00

Peter g95 and Crista Eicher g94 a daughter, Whitley Grace, 11-29-99

Jeremy g97 and Michelle (Mendez) Short g97 a daughter, Charis Marie, 6-25-00

Memorials

Erma V. Spencer g29 passed away June 23, 2000. She was an ordained Church of the Nazarene pastor.

Madeline (Gilpin) French g42 passed away July 15, 2000. She is survived by her husband **Gerard g44**.

Rev. J. Wade Parker g48 went to be with the Lord in August after fifty years of ministry. He is survived by his wife of almost fifty years, Dorothy, two children, and sister, **Barbara (Parker) Dick g48.**

Esther Ruth Zollner g48 went to be with the Lord on July 16, 2000.

Louise (Diller) Roussos g60 passed away on July 10, 2000. She is survived by her husband, **Rev. James Roussos g60**. They served as missionaries in Cyprus for almost forty years.

Glenda J. Hebblethwaite g64 passed away on July 9, 2000. She is survived by her parents and brother. Glenda retired from Harrison Hill Elementary after 35 years of service.

Thomas Shaffer fs76 passed away on September 26, 2000. He was a retired business man and Korean War Navy veteran. Surviving are his wife, two daughters, son, two sisters, two brothers, eight grandchildren and one great-grandchild. His son, Douglas, preceded him in death.

Chris Fulton g82 passed away on September 13, 2000. A native of Huntington, IN, he is survived by his wife, son, daughter, mother, brother, four sisters, and his grandmother.

Mari Collins g98 went to be with the Lord , October 5, 2000. She was a teacher at McKinney Harrison Elementary School, Auburn, IN. She was a member at Nevada Mills Methodist Church where she taught Sunday school and was involved in many organizations. To many, she was a "model of perseverance and courage." Surviving are her parents and two brothers.

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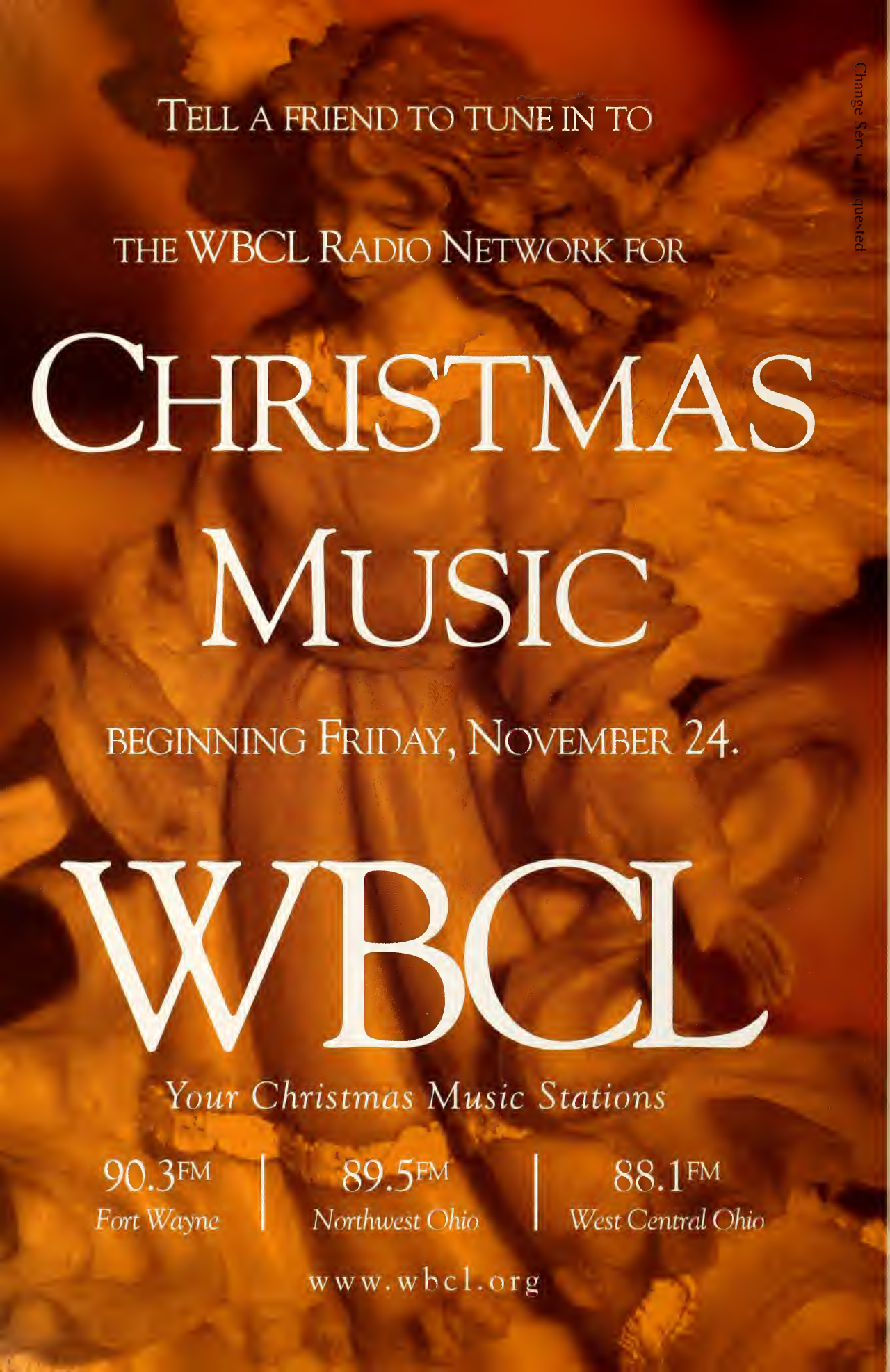

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